

Soccer fans can play almost around the clock

By GRETCHEN MADICK
MCN Special Writer

If soccer doesn't fit into your normal nine-to-five schedule, the Canton Soccer Dome has the answer. Some 230 teams compete

during the winter indoor season starting at 5 a.m. on week-ends, with the last game beginning at 2 a.m.

More than 30 under-eight-year-old teams help to constitute the total, with the bulk under 16.

The current season began in January and runs through the last of March, costing the teams \$650 for eight games now, compared to \$695 for nine games in the fall.

The Soccer Dome has been operational since 1987, thanks

to three air blowers which keep it inflated. The 125 foot by 295-foot structure is 47 feet high, with a field measuring 85 feet by 185 feet, within the range of field standards for indoor soccer.

Since the collapse of the

dome approximately five years ago, there have been no problems, according to operations manager Mike Raupp. The problem was caused by a power failure in a wind storm when a back-up generator failed to function, Raupp said.

The structure is stored in five pieces, each weighing two tons. It takes about three days to store and put away, compared to the week and a half needed to finish the inside when it goes up.

"The materials which make it are hi-tech," Raupp explained, "materials similar to the Silverdome."

Inspiration for the dome came from a New York company in the '50s, which developed it as an obstruction-free, temporary, defense structure.

What keeps soccer competition going there, however, is largely a commitment on the part of the McNamara family, who schedule the teams and referees. Fifty referees, made up of 20 adults, 15 kids and 15 high school students are scheduled by Tom McNamara with support of his wife, Eileen.

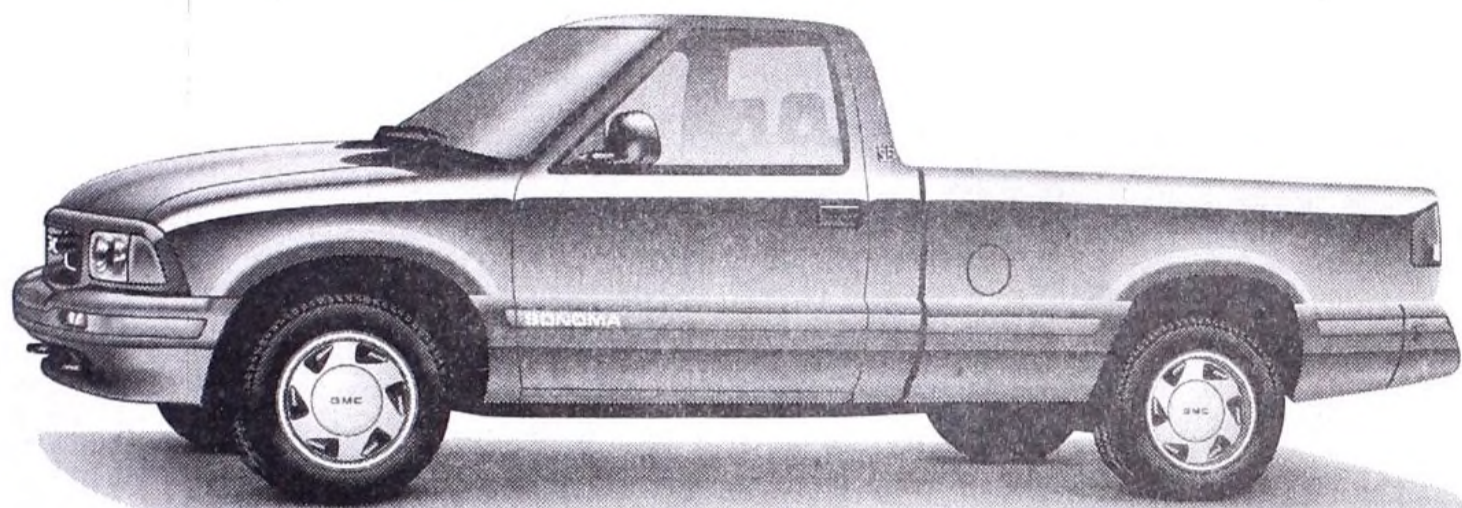


Mike Raupp

McNamara said senior referees are scheduled for the whole season, two months ahead, and the younger referees fill in on a monthly basis.

"I try to get kids who have played the sport, real dedicated kids who work hard. It's a day-to-day, ongoing basis," he said. "It's a nice income for college students, as well, who can make more money at the dome," he said.

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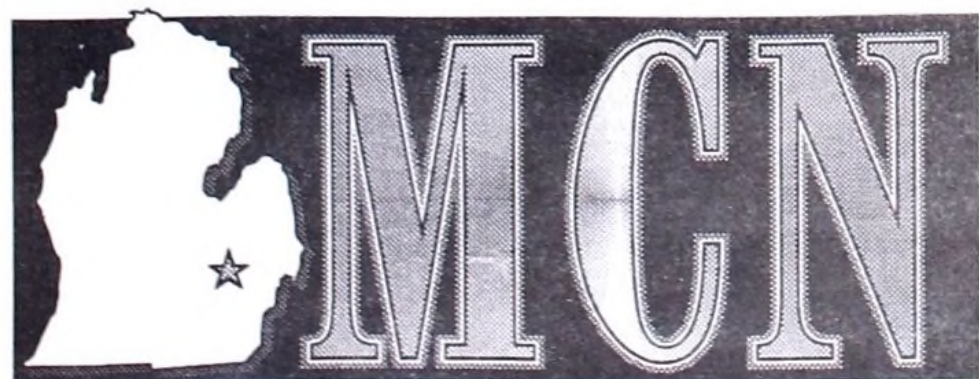
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Student makes history

By MARGO DEWEY
MCN News Editor

A 6-year-old Wayne youth is making history at his school with the assistance of his teachers and family.

Jonathan Martin was attending the Burger School for the Autistic in Garden City, and after only three years, he has taken a giant step by graduating from the school and entering a "cross-categorical" classroom at Kettering Elementary in the Wayne-Westland School District.

"We're so proud of him," said his mother Victoria Martin. "There are so many people who helped make this possible including Dave Den Houter, Diane Pitt and Linda Pittman." Martin was diagnosed when he was 2 years old that he was autistic, according to his mother. His determination to achieve everything he touched, however, brought him to Burger School.

"We placed him at Burger because of Dave Houter," Victoria Martin said. "He told us about the wonderful programs they have at the school and the exceptional teachers. Because there are only five children in the program at one time, the students receive one-on-one attention from the teachers."

Martin said before her son entered Burger he was shy, rarely spoke to anyone and

kept to himself.

"Now he talks to his teachers on the phone and can't wait to get to school," said Martin. "He's happy and enjoying learning about new things. Burger has made all the difference for him."

By graduating from Burger and being accepted into the Kettering "cross-categorical" program, the 6-year-old has entered what is considered as close to being in a regular classroom setting as a child who is not autistic, according to his mother.

"He has achieved so much in the last three years, and I'm so proud of him," said Martin. "I even wrote a poem about each of his teachers to thank them for all that they have done."

Martin has created the poem "Our Precious Burger" to thank the staff at the school for assisting Jonathan with attaining his goal of graduating. The poem is as follows:

Our Precious Burger
"Burger is a special school
Where special people go.
She was born in '73'
For special kids to grow.
She is more than just a building
That sits on Dillon Street.
She provides a welcome mat
Of love beneath her feet.
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Who needs her love and care.
She needs us and we need her,

To teach, to train, to share.
A school for autistic kids
And young adults alike,
Her guardians are her teachers,

To change the wrong to right.
I have watched you through the years,
When you were pretty young.
I used to come to work for you,
Remember? We had fun.

Several years have gone by,
And now I have a son,
Who needs your guidance,
and your love,
My little Jonathan.

Nothing ever stays the same,
And now she's got a lift.
So new, so clean and shiny,
To us, that was our gift.
With fresh green plants in the hall,

Growing left and right,
The sun piercing through the glass,
My what a heavenly sight.
The calmness of the atmosphere,
Lays gently on her breast.

A haven for God's children,
Of hope and pride and rest.
Burger cannot be replaced,
If push should come to shove.
You see, it's hard to close the doors

On unconditional love.
Martin would like to thank the following individuals for their assistance with Jonathan's achievement: Cynthia Valdivia, Gloria Sell, Diane Pitt, Dawn Farsing, Laurie Gale and Judith Gapp.



Wayne resident Jonathan Martin is now attending Kettering Elementary School where there is a 10-to-1 teacher/student ratio. His new teacher, Linda Pittman, said Jonathan had grown out of a small class offered at Burger and needed more everyday activities to challenge him. MCN Special Photo

Wayne Motorsport team captures first-place trophy

The Wayne Memorial High School Motorsports team had a very successful outing recently at the Detroit Autorama receiving a first-place trophy in the high school division for the team's 1979 Corvette drag racing competition car.

The team was also very proud to accept a third-place trophy in the open competition division where their Corvette was put up against other indi-

vidually-owned show cars. The judges stated that a high school car placing this high in a "tough pro" division is very rare.

Wayne beat out second-place Roseville High in a close points battle for its first-place trophy.

Wayne's second entry, a 1967 Plymouth GTX also received a nice third-place trophy in the high school custom division.



This is the Corvette that captured the first-place trophy for the Wayne Memorial High School students at the Autorama high school division competition. MCN Special Photo

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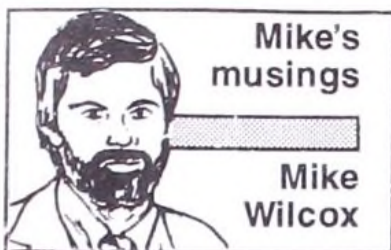
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A few weeks ago, Verlie Whilite, a RECAP supporter of note, took exception to a portion of my column that labeled the Romulus deep well issue as one that has divided the community. Her opinion was that the community stood solidly against the well issue.



those petitions would be issued to City Hall, and our public servants would have to call an election.

The one deep well question that continues to perplex me is why did Mayor Beverly McAnally change her position on the EDS project from one "that the city has no jurisdiction, therefore, there is nothing we can do about it," to taking every legal means possible to stop it?

The first position was held over a three-year period. Then, in 1994, something triggered a change in attitude. Can someone explain this to me?

In other Romulus news, it was interesting to see that Romulus School Superintendent William Bedell is the third highest paid superintendent in the metro Detroit area. His \$120,000 plus salary is less than Detroit School Superintendent David Snead (who has a budget and student count 20 to 30 times greater than Romulus) and \$200 less than West Bloomfield's top dog.

In my opinion, this is absolutely appalling. Romulus Schools is one of metro Detroit's smallest school systems. Superintendents at schools of similar size are being paid in the \$70,000 to \$80,000 range.

In addition, well-documented MEAP scores would seem to indicate that Romulus is performing well below state averages despite having more money per pupil than most schools.

The Romulus Board of Education has been far too generous with their top employee. It is time to adjust.

Two events would tell us otherwise. First, an election last June at which Romulus voters were asked whether they would approve one mill property tax increase to establish an "environmental protection fund to be used for pending and further legal and non-legal matters," did not pass. This millage was sought to fight EDS, the deep well owners, in court.

Secondly, a telephone survey conducted by Moore and Associates, Inc., a Southfield firm paid by EDS, reported results that indicated an overwhelming number of Romulus voters opposed the continuance of using taxpayers' dollars for legal costs to pursue the lawsuit against EDS.

Now, you might dismiss this as EDS influenced. You could argue the results were bought and paid for. However, I don't think you can refer to the earlier election and say that. That election was contested fairly with proponents of both positions getting their message to the voters.

It has been said over and over that neither side wants to see this issue end up in court. EDS has made a couple of offers to settle. Voters do not want to spend more of their money to fight it. Maybe the best way to end this issue once and for all would be to institute a binding referendum.

A binding referendum could be initiated by anyone. They would need a certain percentage of the Romulus registered voters who cast their ballots in the last election to sign a petition indicating they favored an election. Once gathered,

Minimum wage rises without legislation

A proposal to boost the minimum wage to \$5.15 per hour through two 45-cent increases has not attracted much attention.

Perhaps, the reason that there is very little attention directed at the proposed minimum wage hike - at least in Western Wayne County - is that, for all practical purposes, the minimum wage is \$5.

The law of supply and demand has boosted the starting wages in most jobs, particularly in fast-food restaurants and stores. Many businesses have trouble filling entry-level jobs, and to attract employees, they are offering higher than minimum wage salaries and other perks to lure new employees.

Is it possible that we do not need government intervention to ensure that wages will increase as the economy grows?

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Attorney comments on deep well

To the editor:
It is with dismay that I read of the ongoing turmoil regarding the operation of the EDS and REMUS joint venture deep well located in Romulus.

My involvement with Romulus goes way back to the township days, having served as a township attorney, and then as a city attorney for many years. While I haven't been actively involved for about eight years, I have kept my eye on the city activities.

For the most part, good common sense and sound judgment have prevailed over the years. But now? Let's take a look. It appears that these are the facts:

1. It was proposed to the city that a safe well, MDNR- and USEPA- approved, be constructed in Romulus at a location which would be suitable.
2. The city welcomed the construction of the well, and the selected site.
3. The city attorney stated (three times in writing) that the city could not obstruct construction of the well. The city gave copies to EDS, giving EDS a right to rely on the opinions.
4. The well was constructed - at enormous cost to EDS and REMUS - with all required safeguards.
5. The city administration changed its mind about the

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well after it had already been drilled.

6. Extensive litigation has now ensued, with more almost certain to follow, particularly a taking claim that would follow a ruling against REMUS by the Romulus ZBA.

Can Romulus win? My review of the facts, research of the applicable law, and 37 years of legal experience says no! The city may win an occasional motion in a court hearing. It may even eventually prevail on some important issues. Does that mean that the city wins? And, what is the cost to the taxpayers?

Even if the city ultimately wins each lawsuit to prevent the well operation at its present site, its past actions in welcoming the well will likely subject the city to huge costs under a condemnation-related legal theory. I do not believe that the city will win such lawsuits.

If the city ultimately loses such lawsuits, its financial exposure includes huge damages for lost profits, and litigation-related costs and fees. Plus, the well stays where it is.

In either case, legal fees and litigation costs, now in the 1/2 million dollar range, could and will likely cost millions of taxpayers dollars with no recoupment by the City. There is only one source for these funds. The taxpayers have al-

ready said "no" in a referendum vote.

Can the matter be resolved in a manner which is fair to the city, its taxpayers and the well owners? Yes! The interested parties can sit down together and reasonably determine what are the valid citizen concerns, valid city interests, and the needs of the well owners. That is what a court is eventually going to do if the interested parties don't. If it goes that far, no one wins.

What is needed is the application of good, old-fashioned Romulus problem-solving common sense. Further delay could be devastating.

Peter E. O'Rourke
Detroit

State secretary viewed as 'mean'

To the editor:

Patrick Anderson and Candice Miller demonstrate why, each month, more people support the idea of a third political party.

When Miller, who ran promising management reform, was swept in on the long tails of Governor Engler most hoped for a revitalized secretary of state. The hope was this department would begin to move its operations into the 21st century with thoughts like drive-up centers to pay fees, permits, licenses and other assessments.

Instead the radical reactionary turn behind the bright

smile was back to the era of the Inquisition - to just another version of political, social and religious correctness.

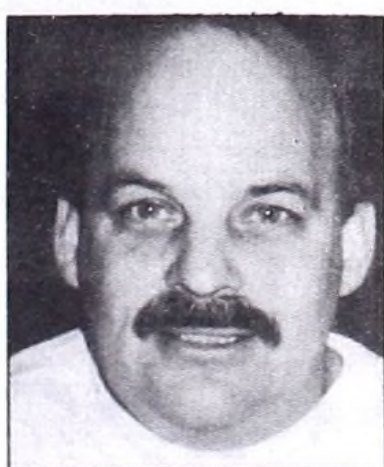
I can think of no more offensive, statist abuse of authority than for Miller to use her power in attempting to suspend Pam O'Leary's license plate for her advocacy of birth control. I suppose Miller is just trying to support her version of a contract on America poor by insuring that orphanages and abortion clinics have plenty of applicants. The insidious nature of her actions underscores that the Democrats don't have an exclusive lock on "PC."

This extremism in defense of obscure morality is a sign of the first tentative steps down the slippery slopes of a new Dark Ages of political and intellectual self-expression.

It's an attempt to slam state power down the throats of the dual citizens of Michigan and the United States by attempting to underscore that license plates are permissions - you must first say: "Mother may I?" Perish the thought that one should point out a sovereign citizen the people of Michigan have "the right to travel freely an unencumbered in, and amongst, the several states of the United States."

In Miller's world it's apparently "all hail big mother."
Joseph Andrew Ditzhazy
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Footnotes: Will hiking the minimum wage affect the economy?



Mike Foley
Restaurant owner
I don't see it affecting my business, but some people may be reluctant to hire more beginning workers.



Linda Hall
Promotions business owner
Competent help is already adequately compensated - above minimum wage.



Pat Danna
Financial service
I wouldn't be hiring people at the minimum wage anyway. I would need skilled people at \$10 or \$15 an hour.



Sue Sitko
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It may have an impact on prices. If employee costs increase, so will prices.

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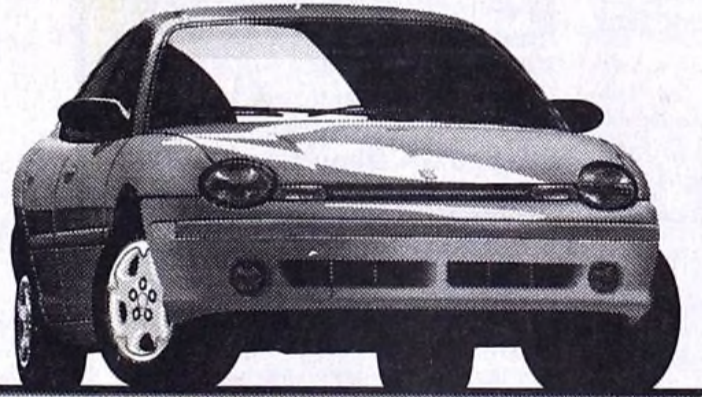
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line like the Mustangs of just a few years back.

Ford has made the car a much more solid car that is basically a "no brainer" to drive fast.

The best thing about the new Mustang, in my opinion, is its new interior. All of the squeaks and rattles have been virtually eliminated. It seemed nice to not have to turn the radio all the way up just to mask the noise of the dash.

With the optional Mach 460 stereo, turning the radio all the way up in the new Mustang would result in a shattering of the windows, no exaggeration. The only negative about the interior is the seats. It felt as if a fist was in the middle of my back after extended periods behind the wheel.

The Mustang and Mustang GT models are offered in coupe and convertible versions.

Convertibles, with color-keyed cloth headliner and heated rear window, accounted for one out of three 1994 orders. The pace is expected for 1995.

The Mustang series is powered by a 3.8 liter V-6 engine. My test vehicle (GT) has a 5.0 liter high output V-8 under the hood.

Ray Nabozny, sales manager at Pat Milliken Ford, described the highlights of the 1995 Mustang.

"The car is built so much better than those in the past years," Nabozny said. "The fit and finish are excellent."

Nabozny said that Mustang car sales have been excellent.

"The Mustang has a cult following," he said. "People who buy Mustangs have either been around them for years or have wished for one to be in their driveway."

The Mustang was the first pony car to originate. The Camaro and Firebird are a result of competition between General Motors and Ford.

According to Paul Fitzgerald, a sales manager at Blackwell Ford in Plymouth, the styling of the Mustang is what attracts many buyers.

"The styling and cockpit design is refreshing and sharp," Fitzgerald said.

So, if you want to become a member of a cult following without being labeled deviant, the 1995 Mustang is your answer. My particular test vehicle was loaded with every available option except a convertible top.

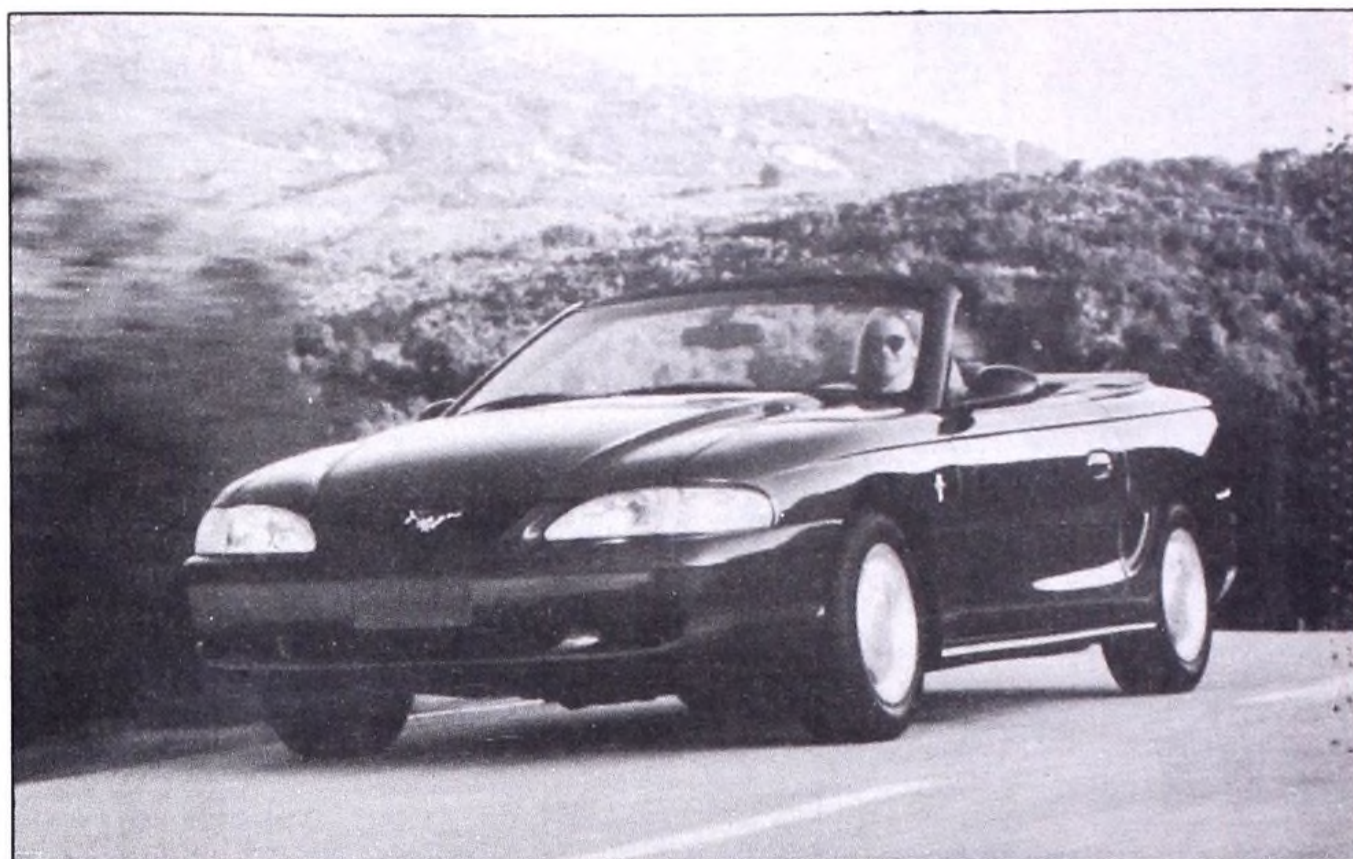
Now hold on to your boot straps. The price is \$22,855.

Fortunately, Ford offers many other options to fit nearly everyone's price range. The car is an excellent value when fit and finish are taken into consideration. If you want the most power and acceleration for the money, then you should look elsewhere.

If you want a well-built car that is an overall pleasure to drive on the weekends, than look to Ford.

Rumor has it that 1996 may hold the key to the more powerful engine that the Mustang is lacking. Power aside, the horse gallops into 1995 polished up and ready to play.

By Justin Wilcox



1995 Mustang convertible

FRONT SUSPENSION	
Type	Modified MacPherson strut with separate spring on lower arm; both strut and arm rubber bushed at attachment points
Springs	Helical coil, rubber insulated (all); progressive-rate (GT)
Shock Absorbers	Integral with strut, direct nitrogen gas-pressurized, hydraulic
Stabilizer Bar/Tube Diameter	1.06" (Base/Tube w/solid bar ends); 1.18" (GT/Tube w/solid bar ends); 0.98" (Cobra/Tube w/solid bar ends)
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Type	2-upper arms, 2-lower arms, solid axle
Springs	Helical coil, rubber insulated (all); progressive-rate (GT)
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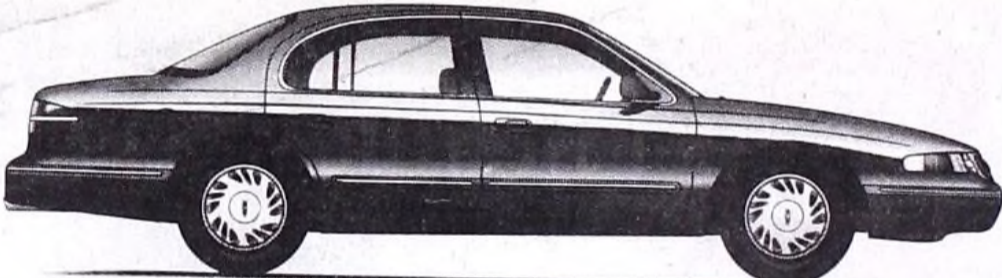
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Glenn must now prove it's No. 1 in conference

1st round pairings announced

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn is the best team in the Western Lakes Division. Coach Mike Schuette and the Rockets can back up their claims by placing a perfect 11-0 record before the skeptics to review.

The Rockets reached perfection last week by beating - no, stomping North Farmington, 72-59, Friday night be-

fore a Parents' Night crowd. Now Glenn will have to prove they are the class of the conference all over again, this time in playoff format-style.

On Monday, conference officials conducted pairings for the first-round of the 1995 Western Lakes Conference championship, and Glenn drew hapless Livonia Churchill, a team that the Rockets beat twice this year.

As the top-seeded team, Glenn will host the first-round game which is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday.

In other first-round draws, Plymouth-Salem, a 76-75 upset-victim in the last second at the hands of Walled Lake Central, will square off against Livonia Stevenson, while Walled Lake Western will travel to

First round conference pairings

Here are the pairings for the first-round of the Western Lakes Conference basketball championship which will get underway on Friday. The top-seeded schools - Westland John Glenn, Plymouth-Salem and Plymouth-Canton will play their first games at home. Please check with schools for times. Most games are scheduled for 7 p.m..

Friday, Feb. 24

Livonia Churchill at Westland John Glenn
Livonia Stevenson at Plymouth-Salem
Walled Lake Western at Plymouth-Canton
Northville at Walled Lake Central
Livonia Franklin at Farmington
Farmington Hills Harrison at North Farmington



Plymouth-Canton and Livonia Franklin takes on Farmington.

In the two other encounters, Northville will try to stop Walled Lake Western (at Central)

and North Farmington will entertain Farmington Hills Harrison.

All first-round games are scheduled for Friday night.

Belleville has lock on Mega Red hoops title

Monroe gives Tigers a scare

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

You know the saying about opportunities, well Monroe had them Thursday night against Belleville. But they didn't capitalize upon them to knock off the defending champ.

Coach Ernie Sellers' and his cagers had the champs sweating right up to the final buzzer, but a turnover opened the door for the Mega Conference Red Division leader to slip the noose.

Consequently, Belleville graciously accepted a 66-60 victory which locked up a share of the 1994-95 conference championship.

"We had the opportunities to win this one," said Sellers after the game. "We let it slip away."

"I don't want to take away anything from Belleville - they have an outstanding team, and I would like to congratulate them, but our kids played a heck of a game against them."

Monroe led 14-7 after the initial eight minutes as senior center Lofton Kelley sank six of his nine points in the opening frame. Monroe managed to stay out in front, 32-26, at the halfway point and it wasn't until the third period the Tigers readjusted thanks to Chris Cannon.

Belleville outscored Monroe 21-15 to tie the game at 47 to set the stage for a thrilling finish. Belleville was up by one with only 17 seconds left and an inbound Monroe pass resulted in a turnover and subsequent personal fouls by Monroe gave the Tigers their six-point cushion.

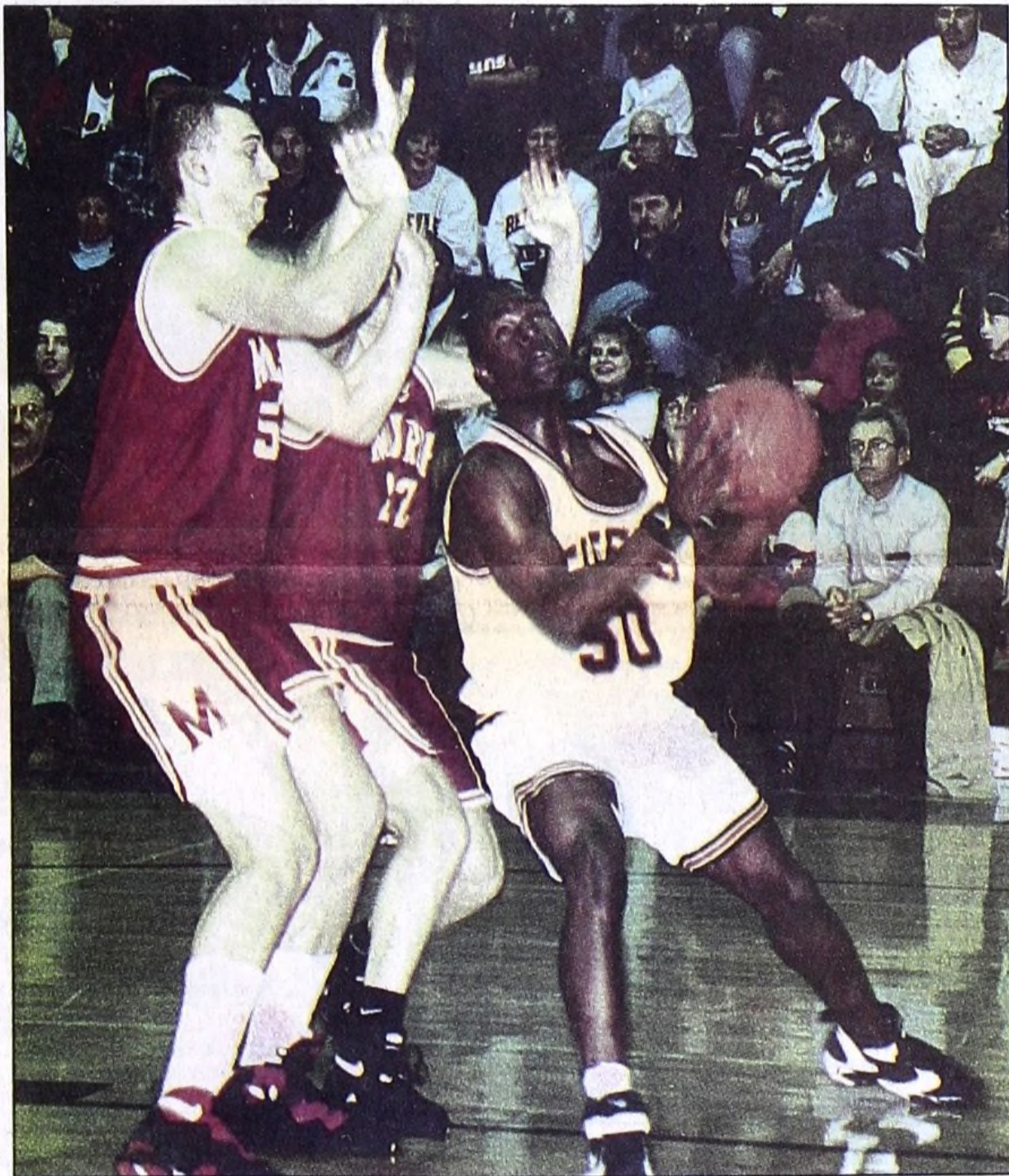
Monroe received 17 points from Don Marcho and Steve Jett, a senior point-guard, added 15 while Cannon counted 13 for Belleville.

Monroe canned 18 of 25 from the free throw line but committed 15 turnovers; Belleville played over 18 turnovers and a 11 of 23 performance at the free throw line.

Belleville traveled to Wayne on Tuesday and has two more road trips - Taylor Kennedy on Friday and Dearborn Fordson next Tuesday before calling it a season in the conference.

In the meantime, Monroe has a rematch Friday on its court with Wayne, a team they beat the first time around. Monroe also will face Taylor Truman and Adrian in the stretch before hosting a Class A district playoff that also would include teams from Woodhaven and Temperance-Bedford.

With teammates Steve Miller (22), Zyers Ruff (44) and Ian Gold (21) providing a protective barrier, Belleville's Chris Cannon (32) has an easy under-the-basket shot and two-points against Monroe in their rematch last Thursday. However, it wasn't an easy evening for the Tigers. Monroe Coach Ernie Sellers and his club took the undefeated and defending Mega Conference Red Division champs down to the wire before they gave up a 66-60 victory. The win enabled the Tigers to lock up at least a share of the 1994-95 conference title. They still have to face Taylor Kennedy and Dearborn Fordson for their final two conference games. In the photo above, Belleville's Nate Lewis (50) finds two Monroe defenders hovering over him and waiting for him to make his move. Monroe, a team that will take a 7-2 record into the week, has Wayne Memorial on its mind. Wayne clashed with Belleville on Tuesday.



MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie



(Please check with schools for starting times.)

In the meantime, Glenn went on a rampage against North Farmington in the first period and soared to a 27-13 lead as 6-11 senior center Guy Rucker scored seven of his 12 points and 5-11 junior guard Albert Jones tossed in 11 of 16 points to give the hosts a 14-point edge.

Schuette substituted early for the Parents' night crowd, but that didn't cool the Rockets whose bench continued to score. Savon Hubbard got 10 of his team's 17 points in the second period paving the way to 44-24 Glenn lead.

North closed the gap in the second half, but the closest they got was 11 points.

On Tuesday, the Rockets

shot a phenomenal 67 percent and scored 30 points in the second period to break open the game against Livonia Franklin. Ahead by six points (17-11) after one, the Westlanders were up 47-22 at the half, then went on to outscore their conference rivals 18-12 and 18-16 in the final two frames to win an easy 83-50 decision.

DeKorrey Albright, a 6-1 junior, accounted for 13 of those 30 second-period team points. He came off the bench and connected on his first three shots and finished with 15 points.

Hubbard scored a career high 23 points, playing in only the first and third quarters while Rucker contributed 10 points and grabbed a dozen rebounds.

Champs shatter Wayne's title dream

If they didn't get the message when they lost to Belleville the first time around, then the 66-60 Belleville victory over Monroe last week should have made it clear to title-dreamer Wayne Memorial that they can forget it this year.

No matter what the outcome of the Belleville-Wayne game Tuesday night, Belleville (9-0) has a wrap on the 1994-95 Mega Conference Red Division title.

If Belleville loses to Wayne in the rematch, the Tigers could yet afford another loss and still salvage a share of the championship. They would also have to lose to second-division club, Taylor Kennedy - possible but not probable - and Dearborn Fordson, a 500 club this year in order to forfeit their title rights.

As it stands today, Belleville coach Michael Garland and the Tigers are sitting atop of the conference standings, and it doesn't look like there is anyone out there who can challenge them for the top of the hill.

Wayne didn't look like a title contender last week against Woodhaven, a team that stayed close for the first half. The cold-shooting, and error-prone Wayne led 9-6 and held on 24-16 the first two periods before they broke the game open with a 17-11 and 21-12 final half in a 62-42 victory.

Coach Chuck Henry was seeking answers to his slow-starting team. He said he needed someone to jump start the offense and "it just didn't happen in the early going."

"We were missing shots that we usually hit," Henry added. "It was not a typical game for us."

Richard Rashad came up with five points in that pivotal second period and Lorenzo Guess took control of the boards to finally get the Zebras on track. Guess, one of only two Wayne players to reach double figures, scored 14 and teammate Jameel Wooden chipped in 13.

Wayne also made six of 10 at the free throw line as compared to 12 of 23 by the Cougars who received a pair of 11-point contributions from Ryan DeMichael and David Goudeaux.

Romulus is ready for district playoffs

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Bring on the district hoops playoffs - Romulus is definitely ready for the challenge.

Coach Guy DelGiudice and the Eagles have put together six straight wins in the stretch, their latest an easy 84-47 shellacking of Taylor Truman before a Romulus Parents' Night gathering. Now, Romulus is eager to show what they can do at the districts.

However, it won't be easy, the Romulus coach admits. If the Eagles want the title, they would have to snatch it from the likes of state-ranked Belleville, always tournament-tough Wayne Memorial, Westland John Glenn (14-2) and Garden City.

"March Madness", a descriptive term perennially used to describe the post-season playoff phase of the high school hoops season that culminates in the state championships, begins the second week of March.

Belleville is designated as one of the hosts schools for a district tournament.

In recent years, beating Belleville especially under coach Michael Garland's tutelage, is tough anywhere, let alone on the Tigers' home court.

"Belleville definitely is the team to beat at the districts because coach Garland's team can come at you in many different ways. He uses so many combinations to beat you."

DelGiudice stressed that his team is building the right-kind of momentum for the districts.

Romulus displayed that momentum against Truman Tuesday as the Eagles put their rivals away early. Getting 10 points from Cliff Stewart and nine out of Mike Bell, Romulus built a 21-8 first period lead and coasted the rest of the way.

For all purposes the game was over by the half as DelGiudice turned to his bench and got everyone into the game.

Bell's 21 points led all scorers, while teammate Antoine Stoudmire was close behind, with 20. Stewart rounded out a balanced scoring attack, finishing with 17 points.

Romulus stretched its win streak to six games and entered Tuesday night's encounter with Suburban Athletic Conference title hopeful Willow Run with a 13-4 record. Willow Run is a half-game out of first, trailing Inkster in the SAC standings.

Playings only Tuesday games until the districts, Romulus will wrap up the regular phase of the 1994-95 campaign against Ann Arbor teams, Pioneer and Huron in their finales.

Favorites Tigers swim to victory

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Destroying Redford Township Thurston 131-48, undefeated Belleville heads into the Mega Conference White Division swimming & diving championships with an impeccable 10-0 record and a favorite to capture its first swimming championship in recent years.

The three-day competitions were to be concluded at Taylor Truman beginning on Tuesday.

"I think it is obvious with our record that we will be the team to beat this year in our division," said Belleville's George Devore, who is rounding out his third year as head coach. "We should win it unless we make some mistakes."

If the front-runner should somehow slip in the pool, watch for the host, Truman, or Carlson, to stage a dogfight for the title. Truman has some blue chips, including the top diver in Art Martinez, that the

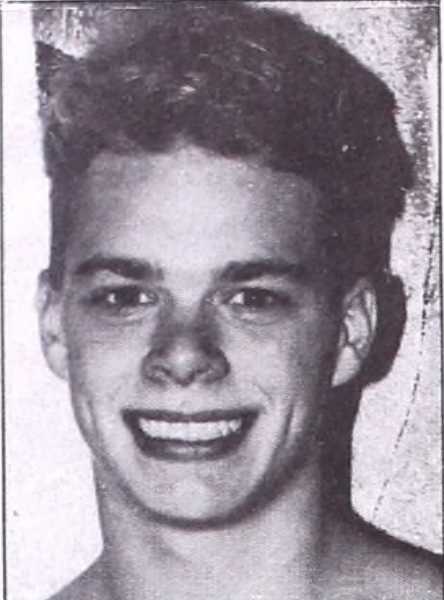
defending champ could cash in for their second consecutive championship.

In the meantime, Devore's Tigers tied a ribbon on a perfect dual meet package with a laughter over Thurston. With Aaron Lang helping with two wins and Todd Carrico also picking up a pair of victories, Belleville claimed 10 out of a possible 12 events.

Lang led the field in the 50-yard freestyle as he touched the wall in 24.28. The good-looking Belleville sophomore then combined with Gary Collins, Carrico, and Austin Rich to win the 200-yard medley relay (1:53.72).

Devore also received an outstanding performance from Carrico, who turned in the winning time (2:19.33) for the 200-yard individual medley and also posted a 1:02.53 in winning the 100-yard backstroke.

Ted Church was the best of the 100-yard freestyle field as he was clocked in 56.24. Team-



Aaron Lang

mate Rene Dera celebrated his first-victory of the 1995 campaign with a 1:14.06 (his best time) in the 100-yard butterfly.

Belleville also won the 500-yard freestyle with Chris Larabell's 5:58.04, which also is a career best performance.

Belleville's only other victory came in the 200-yard freestyle relay. Devore threw together a lineup that included Church, Jonathan Shaw, Collins and Lang, who were clocked in 1:41.53.

Inkster heavyweight wins district wrestling crown

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

He may not have realized it when he walked off the mats at Inkster High School on a balmy Saturday afternoon, but Inkster heavyweight Kevin Jackson went down in the record books as the first Viking to ever win a Class C district title.

The school, previously in Class B, is competing as a Class C school for the first time in this school year because of a drop in student enrollment.

Also, Jackson's coach, Sam Ellis, now has the distinction of coaching wrestlers who have won Class A, Class B and also Class C district titles.

"It really doesn't feel any different," quipped Ellis after the district competition. "You feel happy for the athlete. And Jackson is quite an athlete."

Jackson, with teammates Anthony Melchor and Darwin Baker, will represent Inkster in the Class C regional competition on Saturday at Morenci.

Wrestlers who finished in the top four in their respective weight classes at the districts qualified for the regionals. Team championships were conducted Wednesday and a team must win its district to advance to regional.

Jackson will carry a 30-8 record into the regionals after whipping Roglio Aquilera, 8-0, to win the district title. In the first-round, the Inkster junior pinned Mike Karg of Blissfield in 3:33, and he also posted a victory over Brian Sellers, 13-1, to avenge an earlier loss.

Melchor lost his bid for the

It really doesn't feel any different. You feel happy for the athlete. And Jackson is quite an athlete.

- Sam Ellis

119-pound crown when he lost to state-ranked Ron Silverira of Dundee, 18-4. The No.2-seeded Melchor pinned Southgate Aquinas' Brian Scheffler in 5:18 to advance to the championship round.

Baker, a 151-pounder, drew a first-round bye to automatically earn a berth in the regionals. He lost to Greg Harlow of Dundee in the consolation round.

Inkster, which successfully defended its Suburban Athletic Conference title, finished with a 10-4 overall dual meet record, the best in the school's history.

Inkster wages battle for survival

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

While Dearborn Heights Robichaud is literally going down fighting, its neighboring rival, Inkster, is battling for survival in the hoops wars because of a newly-enacted academic rule in the school district.

A bench-emptying brawl against River Rouge a couple of weeks ago cost the Robichaud varsity team a couple of games suspension.

Westwood school officials decide to place a two-game suspension on the varsity basketball team to cool the situation. It was the second time this season that Robichaud has been involved in a player-fan altercation.

The board suspensions forced Robichaud cage coaches to revise their varsity

I don't think there is anyone who doesn't want these kids to succeed in the classrooms...

- George Thompson Jr.

lineups and fill the gaps with junior varsity talent.

And Oak Park on Friday capitalized on the inexperienced Robichaud reserves and claimed a 57-38 victory over their Suburban Athletic Conference rivals.

In the meantime, league-leading Inkster, stripped of its veterans because of a newly-enacted school board rule that stipulates no athlete carrying a "failing grade" may participate in athletic competition, fell to Highland Park 64-50.

The loss dipped Inkster's record to 9-2 in the league, a half-game ahead of second-place Willow Run.

"We have lost between seven and eight players due to this eligibility rule," said George Thompson Jr., athletic director. "We are seriously hoping that the board will reconsider their actions."

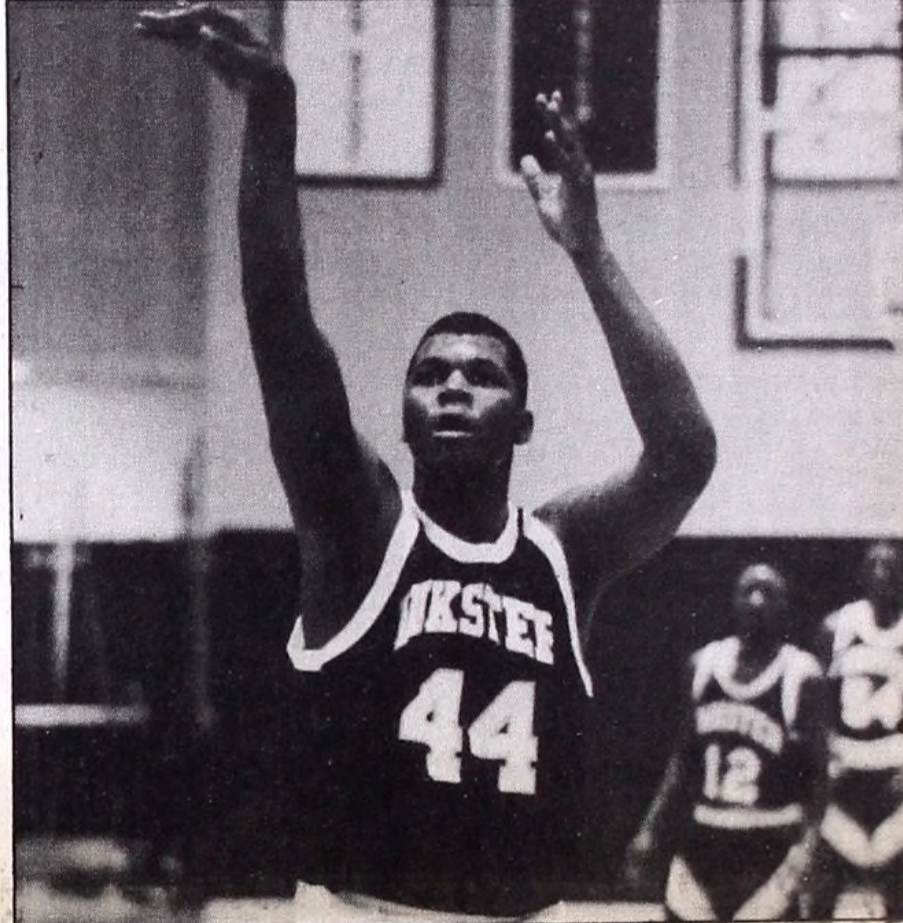
"I don't think there is anyone who doesn't want these kids to succeed in the classrooms - that is why we are here. However, these kids are being penalized because the state and most school districts have a different set of rules, permitting athletes to compete with a 2.0 average."

Despite the handicap, Inkster's makeshift lineup managed to stay with Highland

Park until the final period. The game was tied at 14 after one period and the Parkers were out front 30-24 at half-time. Both teams scored 12 points in the third period but a 22-14 Highland Park edge in the final eight minutes was the difference.

Inkster's All-American candidate, Albert White, ailing with the flu, managed to score only 11 points - his lowest output of the season - but he also managed to grab 18 rebounds. Teammate Leon Bouldin added 12 points.

Inkster will have a week to prepare for Ypsilanti Lincoln. The nonconference game is scheduled for Tuesday. But, the following week, the Vikings clash with Ecorse in the SAC finale. With a complete lineup, Inkster managed to edge Ecorse by one the first time around.



Al White sinking 1 of his 11 points in a losing cause to Highland Park. MCN photo by Carl Brown

WYAA sets dates for baseball

By TOM MOORADIAN
MCN Staff Writer

Westland Youth Athletic Association officials today announced dates for baseball and softball registration.

Prospective players may sign up between noon and 4 p.m. on Saturday and from 8

p.m. until 10 p.m. on Wednesday at the Lange Compound Building, located at 6050 Farmington Road.

The WYAA also fields teams for the T-Ball, coaches-pitch (7 and 8 year olds) leagues. Registration will also be conducted the same times and days during the month of March.

Parents or players who need further information are urged to contact the WYAA at the Lang Compound during registration hours by dialing 421-0640. Also, parents may contact WYAA publicist Keith DeMolay at 722-1251 for further information.

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On the waves

Popularity of cruise vacations continues to flourish

By JOAN DYER-ZINNER
MCN Managing Editor

With cruise travel on the upsurge and orders for new ships increasing, there is no doubt that cruises are the "hottest" vacation for now and the future.

Once an expensive holiday for the wealthy, cruises now are affordably priced for most travelers with the option of three-, four-, seven- and 10-day cruises available, and accommodations ranging from modest to elegant.

However, no matter how much or how little one pays for a cruise, the food, entertainment and service is the same for everyone.

For those used to brown-bagging their lunch or eating at a fast food restaurant, the assistant waiter's query of "Pepper, madame?" is a culture shock. Not only is the food elegantly prepared and presented, but a waiter is ever present to perform such arduous tasks as to pepper your soup or entree.

From the early morning coffee served on deck to the gala midnight buffet, food is always available and abundant aboard ship.

For example, at the French-style dinner, served on Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines, one may choose from a selection of juices or escargot as hors d'oeuvres plus a choice of three soups and two salads. Choices of entrees are Gruyere Ravioli Duglere, Poached Norwegian Salmon Veronique, Veal Cordon Bleu, Coq Au Vin (chicken) or Contrefilet de Boeuf (roast sirloin), and the dessert selection includes Strawberry Mousse Cake, Crisp Napoleon, Cherries Jubilee, Anisette Parfait plus ice cream and sherbet.

Ah, choices, choices!

Although the meals are an important part of the cruise, the sunshine and balmy breezes are the highlights of the cruise to many vacationers.

Of the nine cruise ships in the Royal Caribbean fleet, the largest are the Monarch of the Seas and the Majesty of the Seas, both 880 feet long with passenger capacity of 2,354 and a staff and crew of 827.

The largest ship on the seas, towering as tall as the Statue of Liberty and dwarfing other ships in port, is the Majesty of the Sea which currently cruises to Cozumel, Grand Cayman, Jamaica and Haiti.

Cruise ships also feature Las Vegas-style shows with dazzling costumes and talented performers. Music from the big band sound and ballroom dancing to reggae and rock are featured in the various lounges aboard ship. Comedians - many who are familiar from cable television or late-night guest shows - are also on the cruise ship stages. Casino gambling is also featured aboard ship.

Stops at various ports enable vacationers to sample a bit of the local culture as they shop and sightsee. This, perhaps, is the most enjoyable part of the cruise for many - an opportunity to see the Mayan ruins at Tulum or San Gervasio, visit a site where green and Hawksbill turtles are raised in the Grand Caymans, explore coral reefs with their abundant sea life in Jamaica or visit native marketplaces on the islands.

It is also an opportunity to meet people from different backgrounds and cultures from dozens of counties.

For those who have never taken a cruise, it is suggested that they begin with a three- or four-day cruise, which will probably whet their travel appetites for longer voyages.



A member of the Folkloric Dancers of Jamaica (above) performs a native dance for the cruise ship audience. At the right, Sandy greets visitors to the Grand Cayman Islands with an original song. MCN photo by Joan Dyer-Zinner



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Plymouth Symphony hosts antique show

By GRETCHEN MADICK
MCN Staff Writer

The Plymouth Symphony League is hosting a Feb. 27-28 antique show to raise the \$20-25,000 they need to fund the arts in Plymouth.

The event will be staged at the Botsford Inn in Farmington Hills.

With rental of facilities, music purchases and the number of musicians, the orchestra presents a large expense, according to Diane Pray, publicity chairman.

Additional activities planned for the support of the symphony include a a Homes

Tour and the annual card party/fashion show at Fox Hills Country Club in March.

Approximately 48 volunteers provide the publicity and set up for the dealers, in addition to working at the show. They have counted on Creon Smith, owner of the Botsford Inn, who has been a big asset to them.

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NEW ARRIVALS



David Foy

Cameron Griffin

Jeffrey Scott Griffin and Sabrina Kay Smallwood of Wayne became the parents of a son, Cameron Scott Griffin, on Dec. 16, 1994 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He weighed 7 pounds and 14 ounces at birth and has dark brown hair and blue eyes. He joins a brother, Justin Lee Griffin, at home. His grandparents include Janice Martin and Patricia Smallwood, both of Wayne.

Lauren Simonds

Thomas and Susan Simonds of Belleville became the parents of a daughter, Lauren Christine, on Jan. 19, 1995 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. She weighed 7 pounds and 4 ounces at birth and has dark brown hair and blue eyes. She joins a brother, Nathaniel William, at home. Her grandparents include Edward and Jennie Prohaska and Olin and Catherine Simonds, all of Belleville.

Kaylee Polderdyke

Phil and Nancy Polderdyke of Canton became the parents of a daughter, Kaylee Noelle, on Dec. 14, 1994 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. She weighed 8 pounds and 3 ounces at birth and has dark brown hair and blue eyes. She joins three sisters, Lacey, 8, Lindsey, 6 and Shelby, 3 and a brother, Kyle, 2, at home. Her grandparents include Dolores Omilion of Canton and Fred and Dorothy Polderdyke of Fife Lake. Her great-grandfather is Vincent Martin of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Julianne Newman

Arnie and Marianne Newman of Romulus became the parents of a daughter, Julianne Summer, on Jan. 23, 1995 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. She weighed 6 pounds and 7 ounces at birth and has brown hair and blue eyes. Her grandparents include Richard and Thelma Newman of Wayne and Charles and Gladys Steckler of Hemet, Cal.

Amanda Niemann

David and Jennell Niemann of Romulus became the parents of a daughter, Amanda M., on Jan. 24, 1995 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. She weighed 8 pounds and 2 ounces at birth. She has auburn hair. She joins a brother, Christopher, at home. Her grandparents include Jerry Chapp of New Boston and Albert and Beverly Niemann of Romulus.

David Foy

David and Denise (Morrow) Foy of Canton became the parents of a son, David Michael, on Aug. 26, 1994 at the University of Michigan Hospitals in Ann Arbor. He weighed six pounds and six ounces and measured 19 inches at birth. His grandparents include William and Joan Foy of Dearborn Heights, Randy and Nancy Morrow of Romeo, Jim Brown of Canton and Grace and Walt Burrows of Hawaii.

Marcus Beeman

Nata Glaze and Marcus J. Beeman of Inkster became the parents of a son, Marcus James Beeman Jr., on Jan. 15, 1995 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He weighed 6 pounds at birth. He has sandy brown hair and black eyes. He joins three siblings at home: Chavon, Jerrod and ShaMeka. His grandparents include Fred and Deloris Glaze and Ella Beeman, all of Inkster.

Keith Zavitz

Richard and Marsha Zavitz of Romulus became the parents of a son, Keith Michael, on Dec. 16, 1994, at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He weighed 8 pounds and 5 ounces at birth. He has dark brown hair and brown eyes. He joins a sister, Amanda Nicole, at home. His grandparents include Gordon Zavitz of Romulus and Tom and Beatrice Price of Willis.

Jerry Jordan

John and Cindy Jordan of Romulus became the parents of a son, Jerry Edward, on Jan. 21, 1995 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He weighed 7 pounds and 6 ounces at birth. He has blond hair and blue eyes. His grandparents include Jerry and Wendy Grishaber of Romulus and George and Mickey Jordan of Gladwin.

'Mrs. Warren' on stage at Hilberry Theater

By RACHAEL LEWIS
MCN Special Writer

Mrs. Warren's Profession is a period piece, written by George Bernard Shaw, which explores the social conflicts between what is socially acceptable for a woman of that era to do versus what a woman would do in order to survive. The story focuses on the relationship of Mrs. Warren and her daughter, Vivie, as the self-sufficient young woman learns the truth about her mother's "profession."

The Wayne State University (WSU) production, staged at the Hilberry Theatre, was well performed with the roles carried out with grace and flair by the repertory company. Lynna Lehfeldt, who portrayed Vivie Warren, was quite convincing as the headstrong, willful daughter of Mrs. Kitty

Warren, played by Marlene May.

The most enjoyable character was that of David young, who was quite charming as the lovable, romantic Paed. It was Young's character that kept the audience sympathetic with the plot and players.

Also featured in the well-rounded cast were Dwight Tolar as Frank Gardner, Troy Scarborough as the Rev. Gardner and Tony Nice as Sir George Crofts.

Mrs. Warren's Profession will play in rotating repertory through April 6. Performances are scheduled on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. with matinees on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 2 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$9 to \$16.

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Marlene May, as Kitty Warren, has the secret of her past revealed to her daughter, Vivie, played by Lynnae Lehfeldt in the Hilberry Theatre production of 'Mrs. Warren's Profession.' MCN Special Photo



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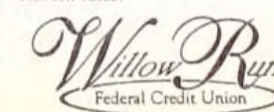
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OBITUARIES

Paulos, Ronald

Ronald Joseph Paulos, 63, of Westland died Feb. 12 at Annapolis Hospital. He was born May 22, 1931 and worked as a driver. Survivors include his wife, Norma Bessen Paulos, daughters, Estelle (Ken) Zoller, Pamela (Bill) Goen and Linda (Mike) Heincy, sons, Ronald K. (Karen) and Donald Norman, a sister, Delores, and 10 grandchildren. Father Edward Prus officiated at services at Uht Funeral Home. The family suggests memorials to St. Raphael's Catholic Church. Interment is at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland.

Kilburn, Michael

Michael James Kilburn, 30, of Inkster and formerly of Taylor died Jan. 22 at Oakwood Hospital. He was born Aug. 29, 1964 and was a machine repair worker. He is survived by his spouse, Theresa Hill, a son, Michael Matthew, and his parents, Hiram and Sylvia Kilburn. The Rev. Jerry Kruchkow officiated at services at Uht Funeral Home. Interment is at Knollwood Cemetery in Canton.

Seeman, David

David Michael Seeman, 26, of Novi died Feb. 5 at home. He was born September 28, 1968 and was formerly employed by the Plymouth Canton School System and the Northville Christian Assembly where he worked as a custodian. He is survived by his father, David Seeman of Canton and mother Korliss Seeman of Novi, a sister Cindy Agathocleous of Canton, and grandparents Thelma and Melvin Wann of Novi. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with Dr. Weldon Spracklen officiating. Entombment is at Cadillac Memorial Gardens in Westland.

Toffan, Stephen

Stephen Toffan, 89, of Romulus died Feb. 7 at Annapolis Hospital in Wayne. He was born in Canada on Dec. 15, 1905 and married Mabel L. Mosher Nov. 24, 1954 in Romulus. He worked for Tool & Die Vertex Tool Co. He is survived by his wife Mabel L. (Mosher) Toffan of Romulus, his son, Earl Stephen Toffan of Detroit and daughter Mrs. Harold (Syvia) Dubisky of Romulus, brothers Peter of Detroit, and Anton of Manatoba, Canada, sister, Pauline Toffan of Canada, nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers and two sisters. Crane Funeral Home made arrangements for the funeral held at Romulus Wesleyab Church by the Reverend Mike McClellan. Interment is at Tri-County Cremation Services in Ypsilanti.

Hone, Ivan

Ivan E. Hone, 72, of Westland died Feb. 15 at Annapolis Hospital. He was born June 23, 1922 and worked as a driver. Survivors include his sons and daughters, Ivan, Jr., Elizabeth, Alice, and Kathleen. He had four sisters, one brother and numerous grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruth. Services were at the Uht Funeral Home with interment at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland.

Balazsi, James

James Balazsi, Jr., 76, of Westland died Feb. 14 at Annapolis Hospital. He was born Jan. 5, 1919 and worked as a laborer. He is survived by his wife, Florence, and son, Louis. Funeral services were at the Uht Funeral Home with Dr. Weldon Spracklen officiating. Cremation rites were accorded.

Carey, Thelma

Thelma A. Carey, 87, of Northville died Feb. 4 at her home.

Gwess, Zacharias

Zacharias Gwess, Sr. died Jan. 13. He was born March 7, 1930 in Earle, Ark and moved to Inkster in 1950. He was a member of Amity Baptist Church and worked for Ford Motor Co. He was an avid baseball player and enjoyed bowling. He would always be known by those who knew him for his "dress code" and the love of shoes.

Survivors include his children, Teresa, Zacharias, Jr., Virginia, John, Titus, Larie, Countess, Jessie, Lisa, Jacqueline, Jacqueline, three daughters-in-law and five sons-in-law. He had three sisters, Lottie Gibson, Beatty Wade, and Ara Phelps, three brothers, Madison, Arthur, and Carl, three sisters-in-law and one brother-in-law. He had 26 grandchildren and one great-grandson. He was predeceased by his wife, Johnnie Mae, and two children, Renee Cornell and Felix. Services were Jan. 18 at Amity Baptist Church in Inkster with the Rev. A.B. Eaddy officiating. Interment is at Westlawn Cemetery in Wayne and arrangements were made by the Beams of Heaven Funeral Home.

Isaac, Jocelyn

Jocelyn Sue Isaac died Jan. 25 in her home. She was born in Highland Park and attended the University of Detroit with a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice. She was a member of the Cathedral of Faith Church where she served in the choir and in the sign language ministries. Jocelyn married Willie Frank Calhoun, Jr. in June of 1970. Survivors include two children, JeJuan and Orlandus, a grandson, Rian D'Andre Calhoun, a son-in-law, Paul Able, parents, William and Elsie Isaac, sisters, Deborah Ashford, Alysee Hamilton, Cheryl Bowlsan, Crystal Isaac, a brother-in-law, Bertram Bowlsan, Jr., four nieces, one nephew and a host of relatives and friends. Funeral services were at the Cathedral of Faith in Detroit with Pastor J. Herbert Hinkle officiating. Interment is at Detroit Memorial Park-West in Redford. Arrangements were made by Beams of Heaven Funeral Home in Inkster.

Wilson, Paul

Paul J. Wilson, 69, of Wayne died Jan. 29 at Garden City Hospital. He was born Feb. 3, 1925 and worked as a tool and die maker. Survivors include his nieces Pat Carland and Bonnie and his nephew Mike. Funeral services were at Uht Funeral Home. Interment is at Glenwood Cemetery in Wayne.

Coy Kendall, Natalie

Natalie L. Coy Kendall, 86, of Northville and formerly of Belleville died Feb. 13. She was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 934. Survivors include her children Judy Stewart (Al Koslosky) of Northville, Alice (Gene) Beavers of Toledo, Ohio, Albert (Jessie) Lager of Okla., Lloyd (Jane) Carey and Sandra (Morris) Carpenter, both of Manchester, and Jill Moore (Al Green) of Garden City, a sister, Blanche Scott of Detroit, and Lawrence Remley, Maude French and Ethel Leonard, all of Toledo, Ohio. She was predeceased by her husband, Clifford Carey, a daughter, Margie Noe, and parents, Hiram and Anna (Jones) Remley. She had 28 grandchildren and many great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. Funeral services were at David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with the Rev. Robert Allmann from St. Paul's Lutheran Church in New Boston officiating. Interment is at Hillside Cemetery in Belleville. Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabetes Association or the American Cancer Foundation.

Schellenberg, Mildred

Mildred L. Schellenberg, 86, of Somerset, formerly of Dearborn died Jan. 27. She was born March 4, 1908 and worked as an assembler. Survivors include her sons, Donald, Ellis E., and a daughter, Esther Hummel, brothers, Art Waechter and Harold Waechter, sisters, Loretta Huffman, Helen Krueger, Violet Ruhlig, Doris Lindemann, Dorothy Lindemann, seven grandchildren and several great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband Charles E., and sisters Edna Krueger and Lydia Waechter. Funeral services were held at Uht Funeral Home with the Rev. Geoffrey Drutchas officiating. Interment is at Oakgrove Cemetery in Taylor.

McGee, William

William McGee, Jr. died Jan. 25 at his home. He was born July 26, 1924 in Natchez, Miss and served in the United States Armed Service during World War II. He attended Tennessee State University and the University of Detroit. He graduated from the Gregg Business and Practical Arts College. He retired from Veterans Administration Hospital after 47 years of service. Survivors include his wife, Clara M. Edwards, his children, Glenda Rose of New York, Carolyn Steen, Witchitta Palmer of Detroit, William of New Orleans, La, and stepchildren Betty, Clarence, and Oliver Ford, Donna K. Garland, Patricia D. Hudson, Lynn P. Summerville, and Thirl E. Hudson, three sons-in-law and four daughters-in-law, three brothers, Willie Mazique of New Orleans, La., Joseph McGee of Detroit and Elliott McGee of Sibley, Miss, five sisters-in-law and two brothers-in-law; 31 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. Two previous wives and two sons preceded him in death. Services were at the Womack Temple C.M.E. Church in Inkster with the Rev. Collins Gray, Jr. officiating. Interment is at United Memorial Gardens in Plymouth and arrangements were made by the Beams of Heaven Funeral Home in Inkster.

Kalen, Delma

Delma H. Kalen, 82, of Sumpter Township died Feb. 5 at Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. She is survived by her children, Bonnie Williams of Sumpter Township, Norma "June" (Melvin) Cayton of Lima, Ohio, Larry (Donna) Lambert of Iron Station, N.C., and Maryanne Piper of Romulus. She had 10 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Bill, in 1953 and her son, James E. Lambert in 1991. Funeral services were at Pawlus-Roberts Brothers Funeral Home in Belleville. Pastor Earl Jones officiated. Burial is at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock.

Kurtinaitis, Adam

Adam John Kurtinaitis, 83, of Wayne died Feb. 12 at Annapolis Hospital. He was born Dec. 24, 1911 and worked as a job setter. He is survived by his son, Adam, five daughters, Margaret Voorhees, Monica Kurtinaitis, Kathleen Davis, Christie Kurtinaitis and Lisa Thompson, sisters, Julie Bressler and Ann Libero, and a brother, Charles. He had seven grandchildren and one great grand child. He was predeceased by his wife, Agnes Kurtinaitis. Funeral services were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Raymond Bucon officiating. Interment is at Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland.

Lipinski, Edward

Edward J. Lipinski, 79, of Ann Arbor and formerly of Belleville died Feb. 6 at Belle Woods Continuing Care Center in Belleville. He was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dexter. Survivors include his wife, Cecilia B. (Merecki) Lipinski, and his children, Aloysius (Kathy) Lipinski of Escanaba, James Lipinski and MaryLou (David) Kelsey both of Ann Arbor, and sisters, Helen Sietz and Sophie Picard both of Taylor. He had five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his parents, Walter and Mary (Cicecki) Lipinski, and three brothers, Aloysius, Frank and Edmond Lipinski. Memorial services were at Woodland Meadows Community Building. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimers Association or Hospice of Washtenaw.

Schubert, Homer

Homer M. Schubert, 87, of Belleville died Feb. 4 at Beyer Hospital in Ypsilanti. He is survived by his wife, Mollie P. (King) Schubert, his children John R. (Ruth) Schubert of Indianapolis, Ind., Joel Finley (Faye) Schubert, Bill C. (Norma

Jean) Schubert, both of Belleville, Jack R. (Janice) Schubert of Ypsilanti and Charles R. (Carol) Schubert of Cumberland, Ky. He was the brother of Rose (Herbert) Cleveland of Clinton, Tenn. and Ella May Beebe of Kokomo, Ind. He had 12 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren. He is predeceased by his parents, Frank and Rachael (Justice) Schubert. Funeral services were at the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville with the Rev. Richard Brennan and the Rev. Ronald Schubert, pastor of Belleville Church of God and Plymouth Praise Chapel officiating. Interment is at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock. Memorial contributions may be made to the Salvation Army.

Thomas, Annie

Annie Thomas, 83, of Ypsilanti Township died January 15. Paulus Funeral Home in Belleville handled the arrangements.

Tucker, Raymond

Raymond C. Tucker, 54 died January 29. He is survived by a brother, William. Arrangements were made by Lent's Chapel of the Harry J. Will Trust 100 Funeral Home in Wayne. Interment is at Knollwood Cemetery in Canton.

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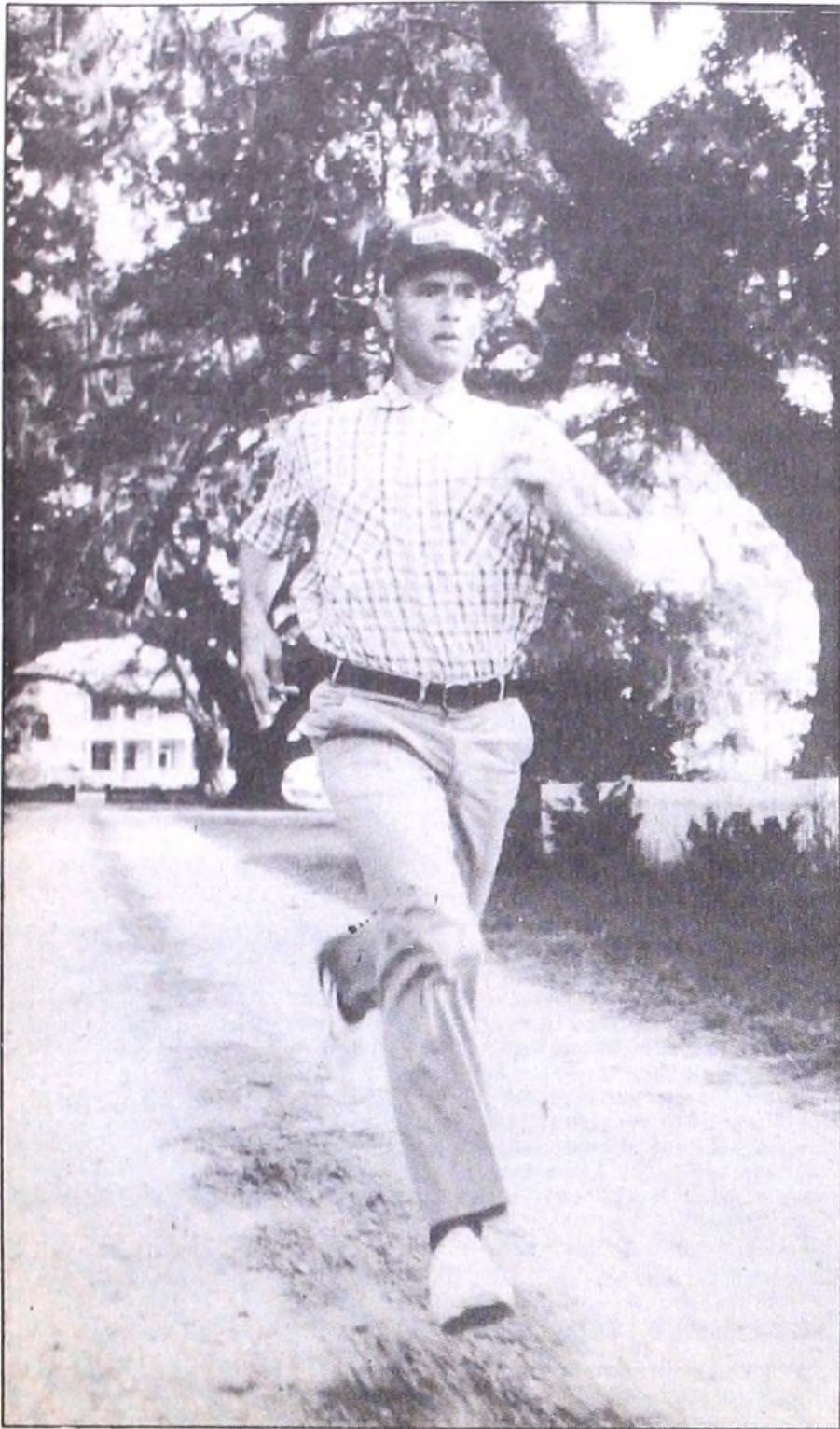


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Tom Hanks (top left) in *Forrest Gump* has been nominated for best actor. *The Lion King* flick (top right) has captured four music nominations. Jessica Lange (below) has been nominated for best actress for her performance in *Blue Sky*. Mask captured the bid for special effects. MCN Special Photo.

Oscar lineup Gump runs away with 13 nominations

By MARGO DEWEY
MCN News Editor

It's a race to the Oscar finish line, and *Forrest Gump* is leading the pack with 13 nominations including Tom Hanks for best actor.

Forrest Gump is a romantic docu-fable about a slow-witted man with a generous heart who has the ability to find himself at remarkable events in U.S. history.

Directed by Robert Zemeckis, the flick stars Hanks, Robin Wright, Gary Sinise, Mykelti Williamson and Sally Field.

Other actors vying for the front-row Oscar seat include: Morgan Freeman-*The Shawshank Redemption*; Nigel Hawthorne-*The Madness of King George*; Paul Newman-*Nobody's Fool*; and John Travolta-*Pulp Fiction*.

The Madness of King George is a tragicomedy based on Alan Bennett's award-winning play about his life of King George III who apparently lost his sanity and was ill-equipped to deal with his evil son.

Nobody's Fool is based on the life of a hard-luck 60-year-old construction worker (Paul Newman) with no steady work, love or money. He tries to reunite with the son he abandoned long ago.

Pulp Fiction is a bizarre black comedy that follows a day in the life of two hitmen, a mob boss and a greedy prizefighter.

For the category of Best Actress, the nominees are: Jodie Foster-*Nell*; Jessica Lange-*Blue Sky*; Miranda Richardson-*Tom and Viv*; Winona Ryder-*Little Women*; and Susan Sarandon-*The Client*.

Those who should have been in the list but didn't quite make the cut included Kirsten Dunst in *Interview With The Vampire*. The Late Jessica Tandy is also missing from the slate for her outstanding supporting work in *Nobody's Fool*. Tandy died last year at the age of 85.

Bruce Willis, who showed his fans another side of his acting ability, did not catch the attention of Oscar officials with his work in *Pulp Fiction* and *Nobody's Fool*. He has, however, attracted offers for many other films as a result of his performance in those two flicks.

Other actors and actresses who should have earned a nomination include: Jennifer Jason-Leigh-*Mrs. Parker and the Vicious Circle*; Tommy Lee Jones-*Cobb*; Hugh Grant-*Four Weddings and a Funeral*; and John Turturro and Ralph Fiennes-*Quiz Show*.

Although Disney's hit movie *The Lion King* was expected to grab many nominations, it only captured four in music categories.

For the top movies, *Pulp Fiction*, *Bullets and The Shawshank Redemption* snagged seven nominations. *Quiz Show* took in only four.

With 13 nominations, *Forrest Gump* joins an elite list of four flicks that have made history including: *Gone With The Wind*-1939; *From Here To Eternity*-1953; *Mary Poppins*-1964; and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*-1966.

The 1950s *All About Eve* remains the leader of all-time Oscar nominations as it earned 14.



OSCAR NOMINEES:

- **Picture:** *Forrest Gump*, *Four Weddings and a Funeral*, *Pulp Fiction*, *Quiz Show*, *The Shawshank Redemption*
- **Actor:** Morgan Freeman-*The Shawshank Redemption*; Tom Hanks-*Forrest Gump*; Nigel Hawthorne-*The Madness of King George*; Paul Newman-*Nobody's Fool*; and John Travolta-*Pulp Fiction*.
- **Actress:** Jodie Foster-*Nell*; Jessica Lange-*Blue Sky*; Miranda Richardson-*Tom and Viv*; Winona Ryder-*Little Women*; and Susan Sarandon-*The Client*.
- **Supporting Actor:** Samuel L. Jackson-*Pulp Fiction*; Martin Landau-*Ed Wood*; Chazz Palminteri-*Bullets Over Broadway*; Paul Scofield-*Quiz Show*; and Gary Sinise-*Forrest Gump*.
- **Supporting Actress:** Rosemary Harris-*Tom and Viv*; Helen Mirren-*The Madness of King George*; Uma Thurman-*Pulp Fiction*; Jennifer Tilly-*Bullets Over Broadway*; and Dianne West-*Bullets Over Broadway*.
- **Director:** Woody Allen-*Bullets Over Broadway*; Robert Zemeckis-*Forrest Gump*; Quentin Tarantino-*Pulp Fiction*; Robert Redford-*Quiz Show*; and Krzysztof Kieslowski-*Red*.
- **Original Screenplay:** Woody Allen and Douglas McGrath-*Bullets Over Broadway*; Richard Curtis-*Four Weddings and a Funeral*; Frances Walsh and Peter Jackson-*Heavenly Creatures*; Quentin Tarantino and Roger Avary-*Pulp Fiction*; Krzysztof Piesiewicz and Krzysztof Kieslowski-*Red*.
- **Adapted Screenplay:** Eric Roth-*Forrest Gump*; Alan Bennett-*The Madness of King George*; Robert Benton-*Nobody's Fool*; Paul Attanasio-*Quiz Show*; and Frank Darabont-*The Shawshank Redemption*.
- **Foreign Film:** *Before The Rain*-Macedonia; *Burnt By The Sun*-Russia; *Eat Drink Man Woman*-Taiwan; *Farinelli: Il Castrato*-Belgium; and *Strawberry And Chocolate*-Cuba.
- **Art Direction:** *Bullets Over Broadway*; *Forrest Gump*; *Interview With The Vampire*; *Legends of the Fall*; and *The Madness of King George*.
- **Cinematography:** *Forrest Gump*; *Legends Of The Fall*; *Red*; *The Shawshank Redemption*; and Wyatt Earp.
- **Costume Design:** *The Adventures of Priscilla*; *Queen Of The Desert*; *Bullets Over Broadway*; *Little Women*; *Maverick*; and *Queen Margot*.
- **Documentary Feature:** *Complaints of a Dutiful Daughter*; *D-Day Remembered*; *Freedom On My Mind*; *A Great Day in Harlem*; and *Maya Lin: A Strong Vision*.
- **Film Editing:** *Forrest Gump*; *Hoop Dreams*; *Pulp Fiction*; *The Shawshank Redemption*; and *Speed*.
- **Music Original Score:** Alan Silverstri-*Forrest Gump*; Elliot Goldenthal-*Interview With The Vampire*; Hans Zimmer-*The Lion King*; and Thomas Newman-*The Shawshank Redemption*.
- **Music Original Song:** *Can You Feel The Love Tonight*-*The Lion King*; *Circle of Life*-*The Lion King*; *Hakuna Matata*-*The Lion King*; *Look What Love Has Done*-*Junior*; and *Make Up Your Mind*-*The Paper*.
- **Sound Effects Editing:** *Clear and Present Danger*, *Forrest Gump*, and *Speed*.
- **Visual Effects:** *Forrest Gump*; *The Mask*; and *True Lies*.





Sara Laurain and Amanda Perkins (above) perform in the limbo contest. Jeff and Ashley Straight (top right) enjoy a dance and Mike and Melissa Foley take a break from dancing. MCN Special Photo

Daughters, dads attend dance

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

"My daughter Melissa and I looked forward to the Father-Daughter Dance for two weeks," said Mike Foley.

The Foleys spent the time picking out Melissa's dress, buying her a corsage, and talking about the Feb. 10 event, the Second Annual Father-Daughter Dance, at the Van Buren Township Hall.

"It's a rewarding event for a divorced dad," he said.

"It was another great success," said Sheri Satlowski, who, as the township's recre-

ation coordinator, planned the dance, put out the chips and punch, and decorated the great room walls with hearts, the tables with heart-shaped helium balloons, the floor with red and white and blue balloons, and the ceiling with red streamers.

"We had about 110 people," she said. "All the little girls received corsages. Our DJ, Mad Hatter, played all kinds music, from country to pop, and the fathers and daughters danced the Bird and the Hokey Pokey. We had a Limbo contest, won by Amanda Perkins, the five-

year-old daughter of Public Safety Director Mark Perkins. The prize was two passes to the Showcase Cinema."

Guests included Trustee Donna Clark and her husband Bob, and Supervisor David Jacokes and his wife Jeanette.

"It was a wonderful opportunity for a father and a daughter to bond," said Jacokes. "Being the father of two daughters, 20 and 22, the dance has a special significance for me. I had a warm feeling watching the fathers and daughters dancing and hearing them laughing."

Colonial

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kilt that he sports, Williams said.

His Loyalist uniform was made after extensive research, Williams said, and includes a festive looking military coat, shirt, vest and kilt. In addition to his musket, he also sports a Highland back sword and bayonet.

Williams explains that he personally made his own uniform. It took about 30 hours just for the coat itself, two hours for the kilt (made of 24-ounce wool) and several hours each for his shirt and vest.

"Privacy was all but a forgotten element of military life," Williams explained, "as the tents the soldiers and in some cases their families lived in were extremely limited in size (they usually slept five persons)."

Possessions also were very few, as the soldiers were limited to what they could carry in a pack.

Williams took the students

outside the school to fire his British Brown Bess 75-caliber smooth bare musket replica.

"We alerted the Romulus police to the demonstration," he said, "and it is a good thing we did, since about half a dozen calls were phoned to headquarters from neighboring homes about the sounds of gunfire."

The 84th Regiment of Foot was created long before infantry divisions existed. His particular unit consists of about 25 military men and their families. They put on about eight to 10 re-enactments a year, including one at Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

Williams has been an avid history buff since his days as a youth. Today his wife, Kathy, who is a student of 18th Century music, and his daughter, Amanda, who is learning the craft of spinning thread by hand, also are actively involved in the re-enactments.

The military group owns about 2,000-3,000 reprints of Revolutionary War archive papers and documents, Williams said.



Well-wishers witness judge's swearing in

By AL POST
MCN Staff Writer

Hundreds of well wishers turned out to witness the ceremonial swearing-in of a smiling 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green on Feb. 9 at the remodeled Romulus City Council Chambers.

Green, 31, was elected judge last November when she swept every voting precinct in the five community battle with incumbent Chief 34th District Judge Felix Rogalle.

She was officially sworn into office late in December and took over the bench on Jan. 3, but delayed her ceremonial swearing in because of various court vacations, etc.

The ceremonial program opened with Huron Township Christine Gamber acting as master of ceremonies and the Rev. Peter Cornell, deacon of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, offering the same invocation that was used when America's first President George Washington was sworn in.

Romulus Mayor Beverly McAnally provided the official welcome to the city and introduced the political notables in the audience. McAnally also expressed great pride in having "a lady judge" added to the 34th District Court staff.

McAnally expressed some earlier concerns as to whether the remodeled council chambers would be finished in time for the ceremonies and expressed pleasure that the visitors were on hand to see the improved City Hall.

Retired 34th District Court Judge James B. Stone intro-



Judge Henry Zaborowski (left) administers the oath of office to Tina Brooks Green. MCN photo by Kimberly Woloskie

duced all the visiting judges. He later asked for a personal photo of himself and Green, saying finally I can pose with someone of similar physical size. "Photos with others make me feel like I'm standing in a ditch."

Maria Franek, an attorney from the Brooks and Kushman law firm of Southfield that Green previously served with, read her open letter to Green stating that "as a friend I am proud of your accomplishments as well as seeing that your enthusiasm and devotion has never waned."

Franek also praised the fact that Green has not given up her ability to offer advice and consolation to fellow staff members in the district court. Just as she did at the law firm.

There are two aims in life,

Franeck reminded Green, the first is to get what you want out of life and the second is to enjoy it.

Zaborowski then administered the ceremonial oath taking and Chief Judge William J. Szlinis presented her with her black court robe, while telling her "you now must listen and be judicial. You have given up the right to be bias and prejudicial."

Chief Court Officer Alan Hindman, accompanied by Officers Neil Jones and Gregory Milatz, presented Green with her official court gavel.

The judge's father, Ernie L. Brooks, "urged his daughter to savor the moment" of the night's festivities. "She is not my pride and joy, but her own pride and joy," he said.

Brooks then outlined his

daughter's past successes in college, law school and now with her election as judge. He closed his brief talk as he opened it lovingly urging her to "savor the moment."

Green then introduced her family, citing them for helping to create her massive electoral win. "They walked door to door with me during the campaign and I couldn't have done it without the support of my family and the love of my husband."

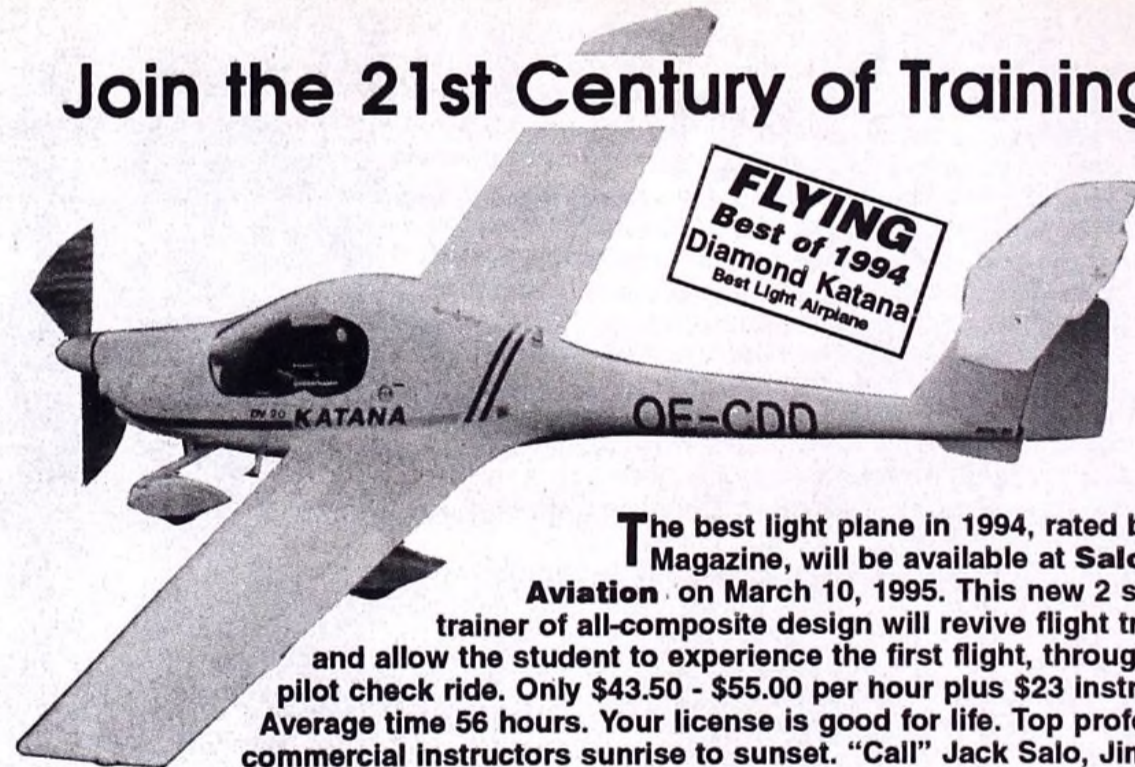
The crowd then was urged to join Green in a festive social hour in the center of the 34th District Court building. The food was presented by the court staff, Green said.



Trustee honored

Congratulating Trustee Louis Banotai (center) for his many years of service to Sumpter Township are Anthony Soave (left) and Chesley Odom (right), who painted the portrait of Banotai. Guests at the Feb. 19 tribute to the long-time trustee signed the portrait. Banotai served as treasurer from 1959-61 and 1974-76 and as trustee from 1984-88, 1970-72 and 1988 to the present. He also was township clerk from 1980 to 1984. MCN Special Photo

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Sports stars!

Senior spiker excels at volleyball and academics

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

Volleyball player Christee Maciejewski was a late bloomer. Until her senior year at Belleville High School, she usually sat on the bench. However, with the help of new coach Dave McCarney, she has become a solid back row defensive player, helping the Tigers on the way to their first winning season.

With a 5-3 record, the Tigers are in second place in the Mega League.

"It's a great experience winning and bringing a lot of fans out to the games," she said.

Last Wednesday, Maciejewski and the team played their best match of the season, blowing out first place Taylor Kennedy in two straight games - 15-9 and 15-8. In the victory, Maciejewski starred by deftly handling most of Kennedy's spikes and by distributing six

setters to teammates, mostly to Cindy Price and Julie Jones.

"This is the first year that we have a chance to win the league," she said.

Quite a change from last year, when Maciejewski saw little action.

"I sat on the bench with a weak team," she said.

Now she's co-captain (with Dawn Corwin) and plays most of the game in the back row, where she is considered the team's best digger. (She goes down low to dig up spiked balls before they reach the floor and bump them up to the front row, above the net, for her teammates to hammer home.)

But, at 5-feet, five-inches, she is too short to be an effective spiker so she's not rotated to the front row.

She is overjoyed about the change in the team's fortunes. "I love the feeling when the

starters names are called out, and I love the feeling after we've won," she said.

She attributes the improvement to the arrival of coach McCarney.

"We can tell he cares for us, that he's there for us, and that he supports us if we lose," she said. "He takes me aside and encourages me to step up my game. I'm having a lot of fun being coached by him. Last year we were too serious, which was a mistake because you don't play your best unless you like what you're doing."

Another difference is the team's youth. She said, "We only have five seniors and it's a lot of fun playing with the younger athletes. They joke around and do silly things and give the team a different attitude."

Credit must also go to the team's new net system, installed this year at South Middle School, that allows the

varsity to practice alone for the first time, she said. The Tigers practice five days a week and play twice - on Mondays and Wednesdays. The season continues into March, with the district tournament beginning March 3.

"The team will keep on improving," she said. "It has a great future."

Maciejewski hopes that her performance this season will lead to a scholarship. "I'd like to play in college and have sent applications to Schoolcraft and Eastern Michigan University," she said. Her older brother and best friend, Tony, a former Tiger basketball player who received a scholarship from Schoolcraft College, helped her write the applications.

An honor student, Maciejewski wants to major in business. "I'd like to be a financial manager because I'm interested in business," she said.

Currently, she is working at China King on weekends as a waitress. "I'm saving up for spring break at Panama City, Fla.," she said. "I'll play sand beach volleyball there. It's a lot of fun. You play it without kneepads or shoes - and sometimes your feet burn. There are four players instead of six, so there's more court to cover."

In addition to playing volleyball, Maciejewski is also on the varsity track team. "I run the quarter- and half-mile, and run in the mile- and two-mile relays."



Christee Maciejewski

Soph on fast track for accolades

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

"I like to be the best that I can," said Belleville High School sophomore Tammy Pietrowski. So she studies one to two hours a night and received all A's on her report card, and practices running year round and won the 1994 Mega Red Conference's league cross country championship. Over a hilly, 3.1-mile course, her victorious time was 20:12.

"I liked hills and knew nobody else did, so I took advantage of the hills," she said.

She attributed the victory to her powers of concentration.

"I kept thinking the whole race," she said. "When I was leading for the first half mile I concentrated on that. Then I concentrated on the next half mile. If someone tried to pass, I concentrated on keeping



Tammy Pietrowski

going until one of us dropped. If she surged, then I concentrated on putting up a longer and faster surge."

There's also an element of strategy. She said, "You want to

be able to figure out your opponents. Since most times I run against the same people, I can tell how they're going to race by how they take off."

Her win propelled the Tigers into a second place finish - their best ever. For the second year in a row, she won the coach's award for the best average time. And she was selected team captain for the 1995 season next fall.

She set her best time of 19:36 in the 1993 state championships, where, as a freshman, she finished 24th.

To maintain peak form, Pietrowski trained all summer. She attended two-hour practices five days a week, with double workouts on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"I also went to cross-country camp called Buddies and Pals for a week," she said. At the camp, she followed a regimen

of double workouts, beginning with a morning run through the woods and ending with afternoon runs up and down hills.

She hopes that the work will pay off by enabling her to qualify for the cross country state tournament this year and ultimately a college scholarship. Though a sophomore, she has already written to Georgia State for scholarship information. She plans to major in physical therapy and to eventually help people rehabilitate from injuries and medical problems.

Tammy started running in North's sixth grade. "I didn't do too good because it was too hot," she said. She improved in the seventh grade and started winning regularly in the eighth. Serious training began in the ninth.

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Several weeks ago, Mayor Beverly McAnally sent many of you a political flyer; now, we must respond. We know that you aren't interested in hearing a lot of accusations, **just the FACTS:**

- **FACT** In July and August, 1993, while we were drilling the Well, Mayor McAnally, Councilperson Mary Ann Banks, Building Director David Paul, and other City officials toured the Well site, asked questions, and were given additional full presentations. They could have said no, wait, stop drilling, the zoning is wrong. Or, stop, we thought it was only to be a "test well." But they didn't. They said **YES**, go ahead. Then they told us that they didn't want our trucks accessing the Well off Wahrman Road. They could have said that they didn't want any trucks at all because the zoning was wrong and they were about to sue us. But they didn't. Instead, they said **YES**, go ahead and allow trucks to access the Well off Northline Road. We spent \$100,000 buying additional property and another \$75,000 improving a driveway to comply with their wishes.
- **FACT** When we invited Mayor McAnally; City Clerk Linda Choate; City Councilpersons Bill Wadsworth, Mary Ann Banks, and Russell Lambert; Building Director David Paul; and Zoning Board of Appeals member Mary Collins, along with other City officials, to an informational steak dinner in July, 1993, they could have said no, we don't want the Well and we're going to fight you. Or, wait, stop, the zoning is wrong. But they didn't. They said **YES**, go ahead, we have no choice but to allow the Well.
- **FACT** When Mayor McAnally's administration issued three permits related to the Well's construction in July, 1993, they could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. Or, stop, if you drill that Well, we will sue you in Wayne County Circuit Court. But they didn't. They gave us the permits and said **YES**, go ahead.
- **FACT** In June, 1993, when we met with Mayor McAnally and City Attorney Barry Seifman and told them that we were going to start drilling in about 30 days, they could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. Or, stop, we will sue you if you drill the Well. But they didn't. They said **YES**, go ahead, we have no choice but to allow the Well.
- **FACT** In May, 1993, when one of our attorneys and one of our investors' attorneys told City Attorneys Barry Seifman and Stuart Trager that we had completed the financing of the Well and were about to start construction, and asked what filings the City would require under local ordinances, they could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. But they didn't. They said that this matter was governed by Federal and Michigan law, so that no filings would be required and that we (EDS) didn't need anything from them (the City)!
- **FACT** In July, 1992, when City Attorney Barry Seifman wrote yet another legal opinion to Mayor McAnally, he could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. But he didn't. He said that the City has no jurisdiction.
- **FACT** Again in July, 1992, when Mayor McAnally gave us all three of City Attorney Barry Seifman's legal opinions and told us that we could rely on them, she could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. Or, stop, I don't want the Well in Romulus. But she didn't. She said **YES**, go ahead.
- **FACT** In May, 1992, when our attorney asked City Attorney Barry Seifman if the City would re-adopt the welcoming resolution, he could have said no, the City intends to block the Well. But he didn't. Instead, he said that EDS did not need such a resolution, since the Well was covered by Federal and Michigan law, and not by City zoning ordinances.
- **FACT** Later in 1991, when the EPA and DNR sent Mayor McAnally copies of the "hazardous" well permits which stated, **"EDS is hereby authorized to construct and operate a newly drilled Class I Hazardous Waste injection well,"** why didn't she say no, wait, we don't want the Well. Or, stop, the zoning is wrong. Or, stop, I thought it was only a "test well." Instead, she said nothing (**YES**, go ahead).
- **FACT** When Mayor McAnally was notified by EPA and DNR that public hearings were scheduled, she could have objected to the "hazardous" well permits before they were issued. She could have said no, we don't want the Well. Or, wait, stop, the zoning is wrong. But she didn't, and the permits were issued (**YES**, go ahead).
- **FACT** When Mayor McAnally notified the EPA on August 28, 1991, that the City Council had rescinded the welcoming resolution "due to changes in the corporate entities involved" and that "The City of Romulus withdraws its recognition of the project," why didn't she tell the EPA that she didn't want the Well? Why didn't she say that the zoning was wrong and that she would sue EDS if it drilled the Well? Why didn't she notify EDS that the resolution was rescinded? What was the Mayor's and City Council's *real* motive for rescinding the resolution?
- **FACT** When we met with Mayor McAnally in February, 1991, and asked her what additional ways we could provide benefits to the City, she responded that we could help by solving the Airport's ethylene glycol problem which was causing many homeowners distress. She even suggested laying a pipeline from the Airport's glycol ponds to the Well for disposal.
- **FACT** When City Attorney Barry Seifman wrote two legal opinions to the City in December, 1990, he could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. But he didn't. He said that the City had no jurisdiction.
- **FACT** When we came before the City Council on December 10, 1990, and asked for a welcoming resolution, which was drafted by Mayor McAnally's staff, she could have said no, we don't want you. But she didn't. She said **YES**, go ahead.
- **FACT** When we acquired an OPTION on the Well's property from John and Mary Ann Ryznar in November, 1990, we immediately met with Mayor McAnally and told her where we were going to put the Well. She could have said no, wait, the zoning is wrong. Or, stop, if you drill that Well, we will sue you in Wayne County Circuit Court. Or, stop, I don't want the Well in Romulus. But she didn't. She said **YES**, go ahead. It's a good location "because it's so remote."
- **FACT** The accounting firm of Pohl, Walsh and Goode, P.C., furnished the City with Financial Projections of the City's Royalty dated August 30, 1990, which stated, "EDS estimates that 60% of the waste liquids injected (into the Well) will be classified as hazardous and 40% as non-hazardous" and that 76% of the Royalty would come from disposal of "hazardous" wastes. These projections were delivered to Mayor McAnally personally in the fall of 1990 and were also sent to City Council. She could have said no, I don't want hazardous waste disposed of in Romulus. But she didn't. She said **YES**, go ahead.
- **FACT** Before we ever applied for our EPA and DNR "hazardous" well permits, we came to Mayor McAnally in the summer of 1990 and asked for her blessing. We told her that if she would oppose the Well, we would take it and our royalty offer and go elsewhere. She had the opportunity to say no, we don't want the Well. Or, you had better put it on property that is zoned correctly. But she didn't. She said **YES**, **GO AHEAD, WELCOME TO ROMULUS.**

For over three years, Mayor McAnally, David Paul, and other City officials all said YES! Then, just before the November, 1993, election, they changed their mind and said NO. They waited until after we had already constructed our well and spent millions of dollars, then sprung their trap and said NO.

Now, a year and a half later, **Mayor McAnally has spent \$400,000 of your tax dollars** on her lawyers, and the first lawsuit hasn't even gone to trial yet. And it's increasing by \$25,000 a month! We're talking a lot of money! Instead of paying lawyers, the City could do any of the following:

- buy 20 new police cars, or
- add more sidewalks and street lights, or
- improve the City's park facilities, or
- clean up the Satterlee Dump, or
- implement much-needed road repairs, or
- give Romulus homeowners a one-mill tax break.

Twenty-five thousand dollars a month is enough to hire seven new policemen. But the lawyers are making a fortune off the City and they won't quit. . . . Why should they? What's even more incredible is the fact that the City has told the Court that it is not trying to keep the Well out of Romulus. **The City only wants the Well moved to a different location in Romulus.**

ALL OF THIS COULD HAVE BEEN AVOIDED. WE AT EDS WOULD HAVE GLADLY TAKEN OUR PROJECT ELSEWHERE IF, AT ANY TIME DURING THE PERIOD OF 1990-1993, THE MAYOR WOULD HAVE SAID NO, SHE DIDN'T WANT US HERE - JUST AS WE DID AFTER THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE CITY OF NILES AND COVERT TOWNSHIP CONSIDERED BUT TURNED DOWN SIMILAR PROPOSALS. BUT MAYOR MCANALLY DID NOT SAY NO; SHE WELCOMED BOTH OUR PROJECT AND OUR ROYALTY OFFER.

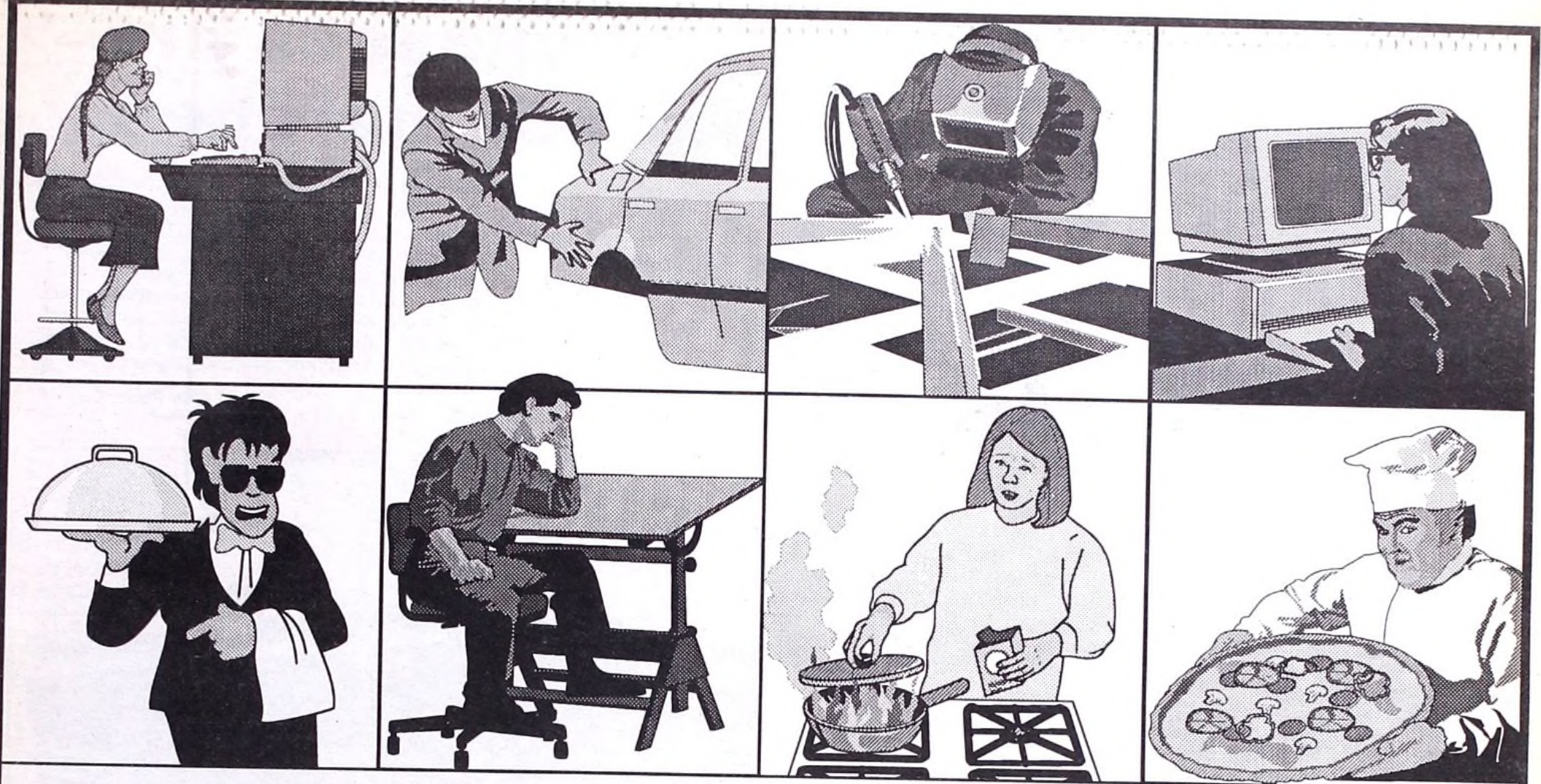
The Mayor is making you pay for the trouble she created by her flip-flop. The issue is not whether "you want a hazardous waste disposal facility in Romulus" or "should the City enforce its zoning laws," because it's too late for all that - **the Well is already here.** The real issue is whether you want the Mayor to continue spending your money to pay for her actions. The decision is not up to her - it's up to you. **IT'S YOUR MONEY!**

You are the jury. What's your verdict?

P.S. If you want copies of the official court documents that confirm these FACTS and others, including under-oath depositions of Mayor McAnally and David Paul; a videotape of the December 10, 1990, City Council meeting; the 1990 Financial Projections of the City's Royalty; the City Attorney's legal opinions; EDS' "hazardous" well permit; correspondence with the Mayor and other City officials from EDS, the DNR and EPA, and Ohio EPA; and more, just call us at 955-2100. We'll send them to you at no charge, in confidence, with no obligation whatsoever. Don't take our word for it. **Learn the FACTS for yourself.**

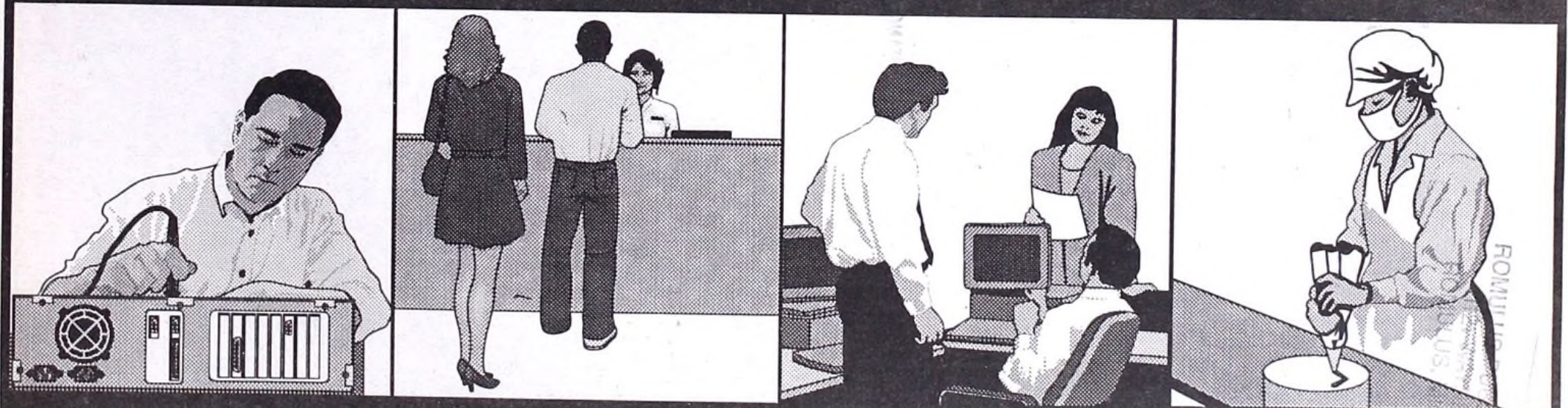
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Dance honors flying film 'star'

A dinner dance will be held in honor of a former movie star, a sleek high-flying lady undergoing a face lift – and a wing lift. Her name is "Yankee Lady," and she's a World War II vintage B-17G owned by the Yankee Air Museum at the Willow Run Airport in Bellevue.

The movie she appeared in was *Tora, Tora, Tora*, a World War II story filmed in 1969.

The 4th annual Yankee Air Force dinner dance will be held Saturday, Feb. 18 at U.A.W. Local 735 hall at 48055 Michigan Ave., Canton Township.

Featured will be music spun by disc jockey Dale Williams, a silent auction, a raffle, and door prizes. A

\$25 donation is required, entitling patrons to dinner and drinks.

All proceeds will go to finish restoring "Yankee Lady." Restoration work started in 1986 and will be completed this year. So far the work has cost \$500,000, with all the money coming from donations and all the labor coming from the heart.

The public can see the ongoing restoration work at the Yankee Air Museum, a converted hangar, where a group of former aircraft workers spend afternoons patching up the old lady with tender loving care on the main museum's main floor.

A visit to the museum cannot be

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Painting, repairs are high quality at Maaco

The affordable oven-baked finish separates the paint jobs at Maaco of Dearborn (13101 Leonard) from the competition.

Currently "America's number one auto collision repairer and painter" is offering the Supreme Paint Special, regularly \$349.95, for only \$175. The special comes with a two-year written warranty; and consists of a full surface sanding, a full coat of primer-sealer, an integrated coat of gloss that helps protect the new paint job as well as adding more shine.

According to manager Dave Williams, the oven-baked process hardens the paint quicker and results in a new car finish. "Using our oven, we can match factory colors," he said.

Williams explained the paint process:

"First, the customers come into our building I show them the different paint jobs we do, explaining each process in detail. After they decide, I write up the work order.

"If the car needs body work, which is extra, I inspect the car thoroughly, write up an estimate, and take the car to the bump shop. After it's fixed, the car is moved into the paint line, where technicians

take over. The car is thoroughly sanded, then parts that won't be painted – windows and chrome – are masked.

"I personally go around the car and make sure the work is properly done. If it is, the car is put in the paint booth and painted according to the order. After another inspection, the car goes into the oven and is baked for 45 minutes or so.

"The tapes come off in the detail area, and the windows are cleaned and wipers and other removed parts are put back on. Then pin stripes, if ordered, are put on and the car is ready to go home."

Besides painting and collision work on foreign and domestic cars, trucks, and recreational vehicles, Maaco of Dearborn also straightens frames, makes rust repairs, and replaces parts – using original manufacturer's parts.

Warrantees are honored at over 400 Maaco centers across the country.

Customers are offered timely service and rides to home or work. Towing is available.

Hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday. For more information, please call (313) 584-9366.

2 businesses are perfect matches

Autoline contains two businesses that perfectly complement each other – a complete automotive

repair shop and a nationally known custom engine shop for custom street rods.

Mechanical expertise is the common bond that enriches each enterprise. The skills employed in building custom engines and installing engines or wiring harnesses in

priceless custom automobiles are applied in Autoline's repair shop.

"The repair shop offers complete automotive repair, from bumper to bumper," said co-owner Ron Siedlak. Work includes brakes, chassis, alignments, suspension system, a full tire service, electronic engine analysis, engine repair, transmis-

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United has unique products for homeowners, decorators

A venerated former employee, Gordon Lampron, returned to work last week, United Paint announced. He will handle sales in the Canton area.

United Paint, who manufactures professional quality paints, including Pittsburgh Paints, Olympic Paints, and Ameron, has six metropolitan Detroit locations. Working out of United Paint's Canton store

(42743 Ford Road, Canton), Lampron, will call on a wide range of clients: paint contractors, automotive companies, maintenance customers, tool and die shops, hospitals, school systems, and architects needing commercial grade or top-of-the-line paint. Paints that are available to the public at the Can-

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Restaurant known for ribs

Request extra napkins in advance if you are ordering ribs at the new Damon's Restaurant on Ford Road.

"My ribs are a St. Louis-cut rib. They are cooked with a secret recipe of hickory-smoked barbecue sauce," said General Manager Jim Khoury.

They are award-winning and internationally known, owing to a franchise location in a London suburb in Lincoln, England.

Two and a half years in the making, Damon's opened last month to about 175 public personalities, including Supervisor Tom Yack and Shawn Barr of the Detroit Red Wings who signed autographs. The proceeds from a \$10 donation went to United Cerebral Palsy.

A staff of 130 serves a seating capacity of 320 in the interior and a projected additional 40 in an outdoor patio during the summer. The kitchen is definitely large with 4,000 square feet equipped to accommodate carry out orders, as well as in-house dining.

In case you can't leave home without your television or a boom box, don't worry, especially if sports are on. Damon's tables come equipped with a private selection system for listening to your choice of four televisions, conveniently located at both ends of the dining room, as well as house music or si-

lence if you prefer.

In the state-of-the-art system, the capability is for eight different interactive programs to run simultaneously in the family restaurant. An employee programs the TV's and does marketing in the general community. The screens are available for advertising. "No one in Detroit has that sports-directed person in a restaurant capacity," Khoury said.

Nationally, seventy Damon locations anticipate growth in franchises to exceed 20 per year. Khoury, who has been in the restaurant business for twenty years hopes to open four more Detroit locations over the next six years. He owns rights to Wayne, Oakland and Macomb County locations.

"I like the concept, the idea of ribs. People are going back to ordering meat and potatoes, which makes a nice mixture with the sports theme," he said.

"We are just getting started and look forward to a long, healthy relationship in the Detroit Metro area. We've been well received at the beginning." The number of available parking spaces outside the business speak to his success.

Damon's is located at 43750 Ford Rd., Canton, MI 48187. For more information call (313) 207-7427.

Home financing is specialty of Independence Mortgage

It would be imprudent to consider financing a home without first calling loan officer Connie Madison, of First Independence Mortgage Corporation - a full service mortgage company. That call could be the key to finding fair treatment and financing, since the company, a division of First Independence Bank, was set up to provide needed home loan services to minorities in the metropolitan Detroit area.

"A lot of people like to deal with minority owned banks," Madison said. "Besides the fair treatment, minority owned banks tend to have a higher approval rate than other lenders, and tend to be more lenient on credit issues. Certainly many minority borrowers are confident that First Independence Mortgage's loan policies are not discriminatory."

The company's ability to extend loans so widely is due to their financial network. Besides making their own conforming loans, First Independence Mortgage is able to broker nonconforming loans.

"We have various lenders at our fingertips, so regardless of the credit situation, we can help our

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- Connie Madison

borrowers whether they have a judgment, bankruptcy, tax liens, foreclosed properties, or a history of slow payments," she said.

Just as easily, Madison can help clients with good credit get a home loan at the best available fixed or adjustable interest rates. However, her minimum loan amount is \$25,000.

"We have some exceptional adjustable rate programs with lifetime caps," she said "We can also provide them to condos, which not too many lenders do."

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Best training is goal of Horizon

The largest computer and software training company in Michigan, has an ambitious goal:

"At New Horizons, our goal is to provide the finest computer training possible. This simple statement conveys our entire training philosophy with no conditions or assumptions: *we provide the best.*"

New Horizons Computer Center has a 17-classroom campus at 14115 Farmington Road, Livonia, north of Interstate-96. The facility is comfortable and professional, complete with breakrooms, and a cafe serving coffee, sandwiches, and soft drinks.

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Independent Carpet Staff

Independent offers floor covering quality, savings

Golden opportunities for bargain hunters are available at Independent Carpet's Inventory Clearance Sale, now taking place at their showroom at 1400 N. Wayne Road, Westland. The older the floor covering, the greater the savings will be.

"We're trying to clear out the old inventory by February and make room for the new Spring line," said owner Fran Francavilla. "We're going to the market in February and selecting fibers, patterns and colors from the best carpet mills and yarn manufactures, including Lee's, Custom Weave, Stratton, Cabin Craft, and Evans and Black."

Current inventory includes residential and commercial carpets. "We have something for every budget," she said.

Independent Carpet's 23,000 square-foot showroom is loaded with quality carpet, vinyl, and hardwood flooring from the finest mills and manufacturers in the United States, and is displayed on over 200 easy-to-see racks.

Inventory includes the top-of-the-line Armstrong Truest Inlay Floor, which is the hardest vinyl floor, according to owner Fran Francavilla.

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Monarch Cleaners

ALTERATIONS SHIRT LAUNDRY SHOE REPAIR
DRAPERIES ONE HOUR SERVICE LEATHERS & SUEDES



Monarch Cleaners guarantee satisfaction

It's no surprise that the new full-service dry cleaners at the F&M center promotes recycling because Monarch Cleaners (42073 Ford Rd., Canton) has different attitudes about things like happy customers and a clean planet.

"We encourage people to bring us their plastic clothes bags and unused hangers, including those from other cleaners, so we can recycle them," said owner Ken Rhodes, who has arranged a regular pickup of the materials.

Likewise, Monarch Cleaners is as

committed to customer satisfaction as it is to recycling.

"Our desire is to provide the best personal and professional service to every person who enters the shop," he said. Free coffee is just one of many friendly gestures offered to visitors at the spacious shop with the elegant marble floor.

Another is the company's policy of guaranteeing satisfaction. "If a customer is unhappy with a job, Monarch will redo it at no charge,"

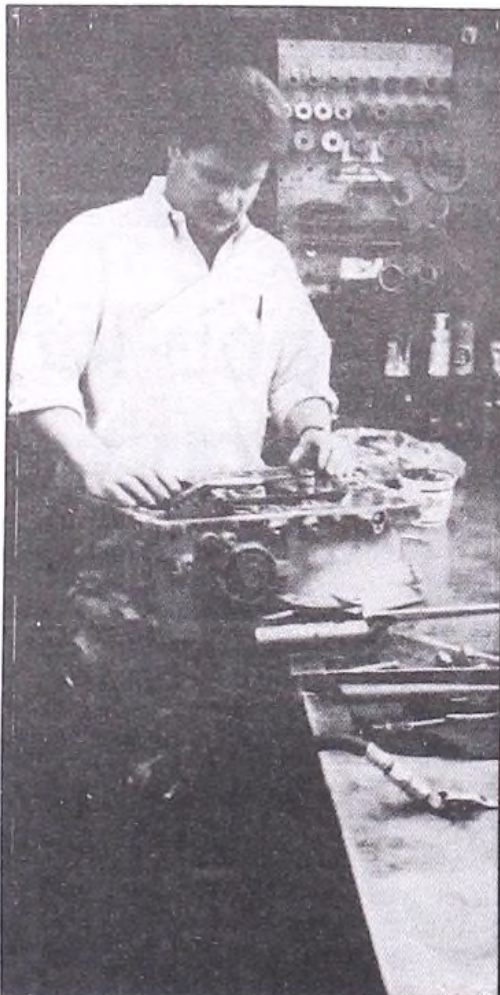
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Cottman Transmission offers lifetime guarantee

Since 1973, repair work on cars, vans, and recreational vehicles by A-1 Cottman Transmission of Garden City has been backed up by the best guarantee in the industry — a 100 percent lifetime warranty on both parts and labor that is honored at 150 locations across the United States and Canada.

This is possible because all work — repair and service of automatic transmissions, clutches, rear axles, U-joints, and four-wheel drives — is done in-house using brand-new original parts, which are designed to last longer and provide better performance. And because A-1 Cottman Transmission of Garden City belongs to Automatic Transmission Service Group, the largest and most advanced technical service organization in the country, which provides access to computer diagnostics on late model domestic and foreign cars.

"Jobs are done right the first time," said owner Greg Hulce, who supervises a staff of six experienced, certified mechanics, led by Randy Sivic, who was certified 22 years ago in the state's first certification class. The work is done in the six-stall garage of A-1 Cottman Transmission of Garden City.



Cottman Transmission

Century-old firm has new appeal

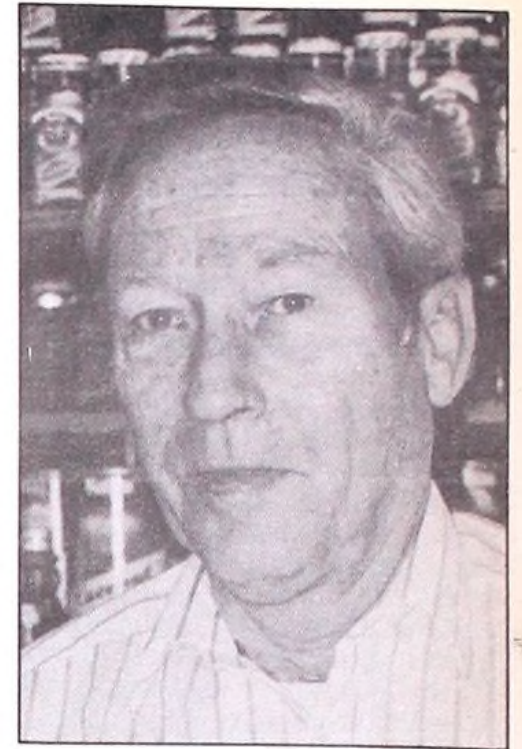
The Watkins catalog illustrates the adage that "the more things change, the more they stay the same" because the 126-year-old company's products are still in demand. The company made a big splash with in 1886 with the nation's first full money back guarantee:

"If a Watkins product used in the home is, for any reason, considered not to be satisfactory, please return it to us or to your representative for exchange or full refund of purchase price." A guarantee that hasn't changed.

"Selling Watkins products is an interesting business because so many people fondly remember the merchandise," said Lyle Huettner. "I just have to reintroduce the products."

Watkins offers 350 different products: kitchen, personal, health and household.

Some of Watkins best selling food products are a mix of oldies — their famous vanilla, black pepper and cinnamon — well as innovative products like tropical salsa and liquid spices. Lyle explained, "During 126 years, Watkins learned to listen to its customers, not to be afraid to change, and not to mess with something that sells."



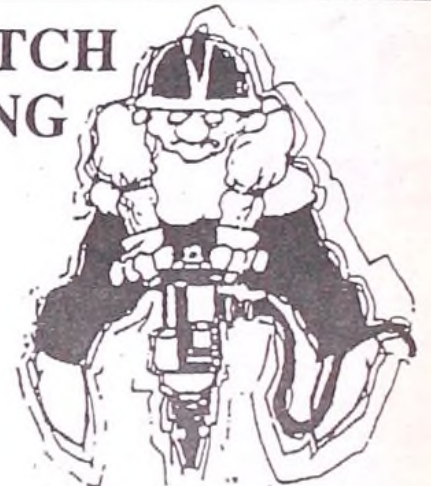
Lyle Huettner

Lyle recommends the top-of-the-line pepper because Watkins' cracking process eliminates dust. Consequently there's no sneezing. "I can usually sell it by demonstrating that I can sniff it," he said. He also recommends the award-winning vanilla extract with a low alcohol content. "It has bake-and-freeze-proof flavor," he said.

For busy people, he recommends Watkins concentrated low salt soup

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"HEY, IF YOU CATCH YOURSELF EATING AND YOU CAN'T GET UP," YOU JUST NEED TO CALL A FAT BUSTIN' BUDDY!



FAX 447-3450 OR 800-447-4966

just ask for "DONNA!"

Hello from fat-bustin' buddy

My name is Donna Roe. (You know, Donna from Deerfield!) I would like to tell you a little about myself: I'm 44 years young, a mother of three young adults, 20, 21, and 23.

Note: They, my children, are looking for a person or persons who will mind them without pay, do their laundry, give them money without asking questions to the purpose, etc — you get the idea. If you're interested or know of anyone, please let me know! My husband farms 1,200 acres in the Deerfield area.

About two years ago my husband became very ill. (He is doing fine now.) At this time, I noticed our

ages, noticed that I, for one, wasn't prepared to support myself if that became a situation I was presented with. If I had lost my husband to an illness, what would I be able to do? Farm the 1,200 acres? Not very realistic. My decision to prevent this was the idea of going back to school and qualify myself for some type of employment.

Going back to college was scary. I took a look at the competition. Young, attractive, thin — need I continue? At this time, I must have weighed 225 or so. I don't really

See **Fat**, page 10

Used cars are affordable buy at Auto Finance

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

Buying a used car has become more affordable for self-employed purchasers. Under a new loan program at the Auto Finance Center of Ypsilanti, down payments and interest rates have been slashed for self-employed customers.

"Under a preferred buyers program, qualified self-employed purchasers can drive off the lot after putting down less cash than ever before," said John Raider, company spokesman.

Auto Finance Center, Located at 1379 E. Michigan Ave., Ypsilanti, the car lot specializes in selling quality cars to young buyers in the process of establishing credit and also to shoppers trying to reestablish credit. The lot offers 80 previously-owned cars, vans, and trucks.

"Many persons who have purchased used cars from us to reestablish their credit, come back to tell us they just bought a brand new car," Raider said. "We really get a bang out of it - especially when they wheel up in a 1995 Cadillac."

Approaching its third year in Ypsilanti, the Auto Finance Center has sold almost 2,000 vehicles.

"We take a genuine interest in

helping people get their economic lives in order by providing them with good transportation and links to main line credit sources," he said. "Surprisingly, we've learned that our clients have a better repayment rate than bank borrowers."

The lot's success has attracted more loan sources, enabling the Auto Finance Center to offer better financing to more people, such as the new program for self-employed purchasers.

Price is another plus. Auto Finance Center offers vehicles as inexpensive as several hundred dollars. Prices peak at about \$7,000.

This year, financing is even easier, since the lot has joined forces with Rapid Tax Service and developed a way to speed up purchases for filers expecting income tax refunds. Using an electronic filing system, the lot will prepare and electronically file income tax forms for eligible purchasers who have arranged to apply IRS refunds to their purchases.

"We will prepare and electronically file 1040 and 1099 forms," said Raider. "One day later they can have their cars."

For more information, call 482-1222.



Tae Kwon Do offers martial arts classes

Often, when Tae Kwon Do Master Carl Tate is asked to demonstrate his highly developed martial arts skills, he breaks a stack of 13 bricks with his head.

However, Master Tate, the Inkster native who owns Southwest Tae Kwon Do Institute (27309 Michigan Ave., Inkster), has mastered many other less spectacular skills, mental and physical. On the mental side, he has written editorials for international martial arts magazines, he

serves as president of the National Association of Tae Kwon Do, and vice-chairman of the American Athletic Association's Tae Kwon Do division.

On the physical side, Master Tate is one of the highest ranking Americans in the art of Tae Kwon Do - a seventh degree black belt. Having trained and competed all over the world, he has won a European point fighting championship and was rated number one in Oklahoma.

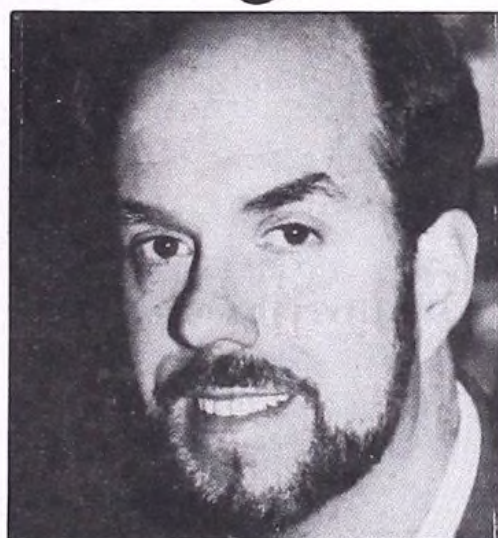
Taxes are specialty of G & D Accounting, Inc.

"Do you feel that you or your business are receiving proper attention from your present accountant or tax service? If not, the new tax laws could cost you more money than you know," said Greg LaVier, owner of G&D Accounting, Inc., a firm that provides quality tax and accounting services for individuals and businesses.

To avoid extra payments, LaVier directs proper attention to his clients' tax filings. He asks relevant questions and thoroughly exams clients' records to find out if every possible deduction has been taken. Or he will advise some clients to pay off debts ahead of time to accelerate deductions, and advise others on how to minimize their income to reduce tax bills.

"Every year, it seems that some new tax law comes into play and decreases many clients' deductions. So we have to find something else," he said. Another situation where proper attention and experience come in.

G&D provides electronic tax filings, directly transmitting to IRS and state treasury department computers. IRS refunds are returned in three to five days. One-time discounts of \$10 are offered to new clients off filings. And since



Greg LaVier

G&D is also a year round accounting service, LaVier doesn't disappear on April 15. He'll be around to answer questions and provide copies all twelve months. He will also be around to represent clients at IRS audits, if necessary.

LaVier became a public accountant in the early 1970s. He founded G&D in 1983, and began offering more personal attention. Communication has been the secret to his 12-year success, he said.

G&D's hours during tax season are 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday. For more information, please call 313-525-8554.



Realtor listens to clients

Home buyers and sellers enjoy working with real estate agent Georgia Gardenshire because she's an all-out giver who is always available.

"I overextend myself to all clients - I want to serve them," said Gardenshire, who works at Remax Preferred (25050 Ford Road., Dear-

born Heights), where she has an assistant and a 24-hour pager system to keep her in touch with clients.

That attitude has resulted in her developing refreshingly different and effective ways of matching buyers and sellers in our highly transient age, enabling her to sell 90 percent of her listings.

"I put sellers and buyers together in a unique way," she said. "Working

I overextend myself to all my clients - I want to serve them. I put sellers and buyers together in a unique way.

- Georgia Gardenshire

with five mortgage companies, I make sure that my buyers are serious and have been approved for a loan amount before I show them homes."

Assured of meeting only qualified buyers, sellers can be confident they will have a solid deal.

Another reason that Gardenshire is one of Remax's top producers is that in addition to being a listener, she is a listener.

"Most home buyers come to me because other real estate agents didn't sit down and listen to them," she said. "I do. Our first meetings never last less than 45 minutes."

The meetings cover every aspect

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Tile experts offer savings

Want to compare guarantees? Color Tile of Canton puts their guarantees against all competitors.

"We have the best guarantee on carpets that you can find anywhere," said Don Yaske, manager of the store at 42489 Ford Road, Canton, in Canton Commons. "We offer a lifetime guarantee on the installation. And also our 'ultimate guarantee,' which is for people who move. It works like this: if you move, it entitles you to a further discount on another carpet of your choice. The discount will be honored at any one of Color Tile's 850 stores, located in every state."

Besides making the "ultimate guarantee" possible, the buying power of those 850 stores enables Color Tile of Canton, which is individually owned, to pass on the volume savings to its customers while being able to provide quality service of a small business.

"We offer more personal attention than most stores," said Yaske. Drawing on his eight-year experience with the company, he provides shoppers with detailed product installation and maintain instructions.

The 4,000-square-foot store's inventory includes a complete line of flooring - ceramic, wood, vinyl and carpet - and tile setting, cleaning, and maintenance products manufactured by Color Tile. Professional

installation and free estimates are available, as well as installation guides and videos and free use of ceramic tile cutters for do-it-yourselfers.

"Our installation and maintenance products are backed up by a 'goof proof guarantee' - as long the directions are followed, we guarantee against any product failure," he said.

As the store's name indicates, Color Tile of Canton has a rich variety of ceramic and vinyl tiles. Famous vinyl manufacturers include Armstrong, Congoleum, Tarkett, and Nafco. Similarly there are many ceramic wall and floor tiles, including some manufactured by Color Tile.

Pergo, a popular new flooring product from Sweden with a contemporary wood look, is on sale for \$3.99 per-square foot. The flooring is extremely durable - neither high heels nor heavy furniture can dent it - and easy to clean. Stains and cigarette burns wipe away.

Because it requires no sanding or finishing, it's easy to install. Color Tile of Canton offers a credit card that currently can be used on "90 days same as cash" terms. For details, call 313-844-2010.

The store is conveniently open seven days a week. Showroom hours are 9-8 Monday through Friday; Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Remoter starters are cold weather boons

Starting a car in deep winter snow and subzero temperatures is usually a pain and often leads to a cold. All avoidable, however, when the car is started with an Auto One remoter starter from within the warmth of a home.

"Our remote starter easily hooks up to a factory-made keyless entry system or to an existing code alarm system," said Terry Doyle, operating branch manager at the newest Auto One (31872 Michigan Ave., Wayne). "It's perfect for winter. You can stay comfortable inside your home while the car heats up."

Remote starters are only one of

the many after-market accessories for new and used cars, trucks and vans available at Auto One.

Auto One is like a finishing school for new and used vehicles. Its inventory of stand out automotive accessories goes way beyond what's offered at dealerships.

For example, Auto One is number one dealer of Code Alarm, the best selling auto alarm and vehicle security system in the United States.

"As Code Alarm's top dealer, we're working directly with them in

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Airport Diner provides home-cooked dinners

A favorite stop for many people traveling south of Metropolitan Airport is Middlebelt Diner (13175 Middlebelt Rd., Romulus).

With more than 20 home-cooked meals at \$3.99 every day and a reduced-price kids' menu, the diner is one of the best bargains in family dining.

Owned and operated by restaurateur Mike Dobrushy, the restaurant was created to offer home-cooked hot meals served by a waitress at fast food prices, but with 20 times the variety of a typical meat-and-bun franchise. The affordable variety was created with family budgets and taste buds in mind.

Dobrushy opened his first family restaurant 22 years ago in Farmington. A quick hit, he opened a string of Red Apples in Wayne, Warren and Belleville. Attracted to Romulus's growth potential, he opened the Middlebelt Diner in 1986, and began offering an improved version of his popular menu.

The menu features \$3.99 lunch and dinner specials served with potatoes, vegetables, bread and butter baskets, and, for an extra \$.75 cents, a choice of soup or salad. Main courses include stuffed cabbages, meat loaf, Salisbury steak, beef stroganoffs, beef tips, sweetish

meatballs, chicken stir fries, pork chops, and stuffed pork chops.

The all-you-can-eat \$4.95 fish and chips special is served from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. every day.

"We use the best ingredients - choice beef and choice skinless and boneless chicken breasts," he said.

In addition to the specials, there are homemade soups, including chicken and dumplings, and ham and bean. There's a full greenery menu, including chef's, taco, tuna, chicken, and ham and cheese salads; a full selection of hot and cold pita sandwiches; and a low calorie menu for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Diners can end it all sweetly with Dobrushy's own rice pudding.

Breakfast specials are served until 11 a.m. Two favorites are the \$1.75 special, with eggs, meat, toast, and potatoes; and the \$3.25 special, which adds biscuits and gravy to the above.

Regular breakfasts are served all day.

Patrons comfortably dine at either large tables, roomy booths, or at the friendly counter.

Boosters and high chairs are provided to children and babies.

Hours are 6 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days a week.

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and gravies, a nutritious and tasty way to flavor pasta, rice and other grains.

Watkins household products promise to reduce cleaning time.

Lyle likes Watkins multipurpose organic cleaner: "Since you can clean everything inside and out

from house to car, it replaces dish washing detergent, glass cleaner, and dozens of products. Since it's biodegradable and phosphate free, you can use it near lawns."

Personal care products are made with herbs and botanicals. Vanilla hand cream - a vanilla scented, creamy formula.

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We also have No-Doc and No-Income-Verification loans to handle self employed borrowers. I care about my clients and will give them the best rate possible.

- Connie Madison

Loans are available for purchases and refinances and cash-out loans. "Refinances are suited to individuals who may need money for emergencies or home improvements," she said. "They can help on foreclosed properties."

Terms offered are 15, 20, and 30 year mortgages. Independence Mortgage handles A-D paper, adjustable interest rates, balloon loans, investment products for non-occupants, rehabilitation loans; HUD loans, VA loans, and low down

payment Detroit Neighborhood Investment Corporation loans.

"We also have No-Doc and No-Income-Verification loans to handle self employed borrowers," she added.

Besides having a ton of great products, Madison offers personal service. "I care about my clients and will give them the best rate possible," she said.

Madison, who has worked in the financial business for 13 years, is a resident of Romulus, where she lives with her son D'Jon, 2.

Prior to that, she worked for the city of Romulus. In 1984, she was Mayor Beverly McAnally's assistant. She also served as secretary for the Cable Communication Commission. "One day, I hope to run for congress," she said.

An active church-going Christian, she attends Greater Grace Temple in Detroit.

First Independence Mortgage is located at 15565 Northland Drive, Suite 703 West Tower, Southfield. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays.

Coffee accompanies work-outs, tanning

Enjoy a delicious cup of coffee, a work out and a glorious tan – all in one location at Gumbanno Brothers Italiano Cafe.

The new facility brings together a coffee shop, tanning salon and martial arts training, all under one roof.

"We wanted to create a center that would appeal and interest," explained Jenny Angela, manager of the cafe. "We used an Italian motif throughout the cafe, which is located in front with the tanning salon and martial arts center behind."

Gumbanno Brothers serves Superior Coffee and Foods' award-winning Metropolitan family of estate grown coffee and Laurentis espresso drinks.

The coffees are available in whole bean or ground for carry-out. In addition, the cafe serves yogurt, pastries and a variety of shakes.

Gumbanno Brothers is open Mon-

"We wanted to create a center that would appeal and interest. We used an Italian motif throughout the cafe..."

- Jenny Angela

day through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. It is located at 6712 Canton Center Rd, in the West Gate Plaza, one-half mile north of Ford Rd., Canton. The telephone number is 313-459-9972.

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developing systems that add value to a vehicle," said Doyle, adding that installation of a Code Alarm qualifies the car owner for an insurance discount.

Auto One sells the alarms with a lifetime parts and labor warranty. As an authorized Cellular One

agent, Auto offers a superior quality line of cellular phones and pagers, including some pagers with regional coverage that allow reception of pages in other states.

Other discounts are available. For more information, call 722-1888. Hours are 8 a.m. to 5:30 Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

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Inventory includes the new Regal Solarium diamond pattern and the colorful new Vision's Passions design.

"Because of their construction, their creative patterns don't wear out," she said. "Armstrong uses felt and interflex backings and builds their patterns by setting little granules from front to back. Armstrong's many imitators can't duplicate the process."

Independent Carpet's standing as one of Western Wayne's premier flooring companies has been validated by their selection as an Armstrong Floor Fashion Dealer.

Ever since Armstrong invented inlaid vinyl floors, they've had their pick of outlets, and they limit their exclusive merchandise to only four dealers per metropolitan area. The only floor companies considered must have large showrooms, highly skilled installers, and a large professional sales force. Independent Carpet made the grade.

Independent Carpet is a family business owned by Fran and Carl Francavilla, Sr., who took over the 50-year-old store in 1978. It employs

their four grown children, sons Carl Jr., Robert, Chris Francavilla; daughter Cathy Buchanan; and daughter-in-laws Andrea and Kathy. While 1994 was a banner year for Independent Carpet – it's best ever – it was also a productive year for the Francavilla family: Carl, Jr. had twins, Adriana and Alisia; Cathy Buchanan had twins, Dominic and Courtney; and Robert had a baby boy.

The store's success is do to the "lost art of personal service" combined with "quality carpet, the best for your dollar, and long warranties," Fran said.

It's also due to a constant upgrading of customer service and the store. For example, the Francavillas just finished renovating their store. "We put new lighting and skylights in our warehouse. It helps shoppers view the carpets to see the exact colors," Fran said. "We're also redoing the floor in our vinyl department, putting in a new look – borders and custom trims."

Installations are available from experienced long-time employees, whose work is guaranteed.

For more information, call 729-6200.

equipment whirling away in back. "We purchased state-of-the-art equipment to make sure we do the best possible work," he said. "Our machines are capable of putting out odorless dry cleaning, crisply pressed dress pants and suits, and restoring vibrant colors."



Wash complimentary with 8-gallon gas purchase

Road salt has made frequent car washes necessary for folks who want to protect their dream machines in snowy Michigan winters.

So why not save money by getting a free car wash with a purchase of eight or more gallons of gasoline at the Amoco Touchless Car Wash?

The car wash, gas station and convenience store are located at the corner of Canton Center and Cherry Hills roads.

Besides removing corrosive salt and dirt, touchless car washes are the only sure way to avoid damaging

a vehicle's finish while thoroughly cleaning it. This is because no brushes or cloths are used.

Instead, soap, chemicals, and a high pressure spray are used. After soap emulsifies the dirt, a high pressure spray removes it. Soft water prevents spots and streaks. Naturally there is no way to damage mirrors or luggage racks.

"The end effect is a superior wash," said Gary Tinkle, owner.

The wash can handle full size vehicles.

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'Golden Rule' drives formula to success

Following the Golden Rule has enabled Law Auto Sales to thrive for 57 years in a business that depends on honesty, integrity, and service.

Established in 1938, the business has been owned and operated by three generations of the Law family. Currently carried on by Vince Law, Sr. and his sons Jim and Vince, Jr., the lot sells used cars, trucks and vans.

"Though it's hard to compete in this field, we've been able to prosper through the years because of

our business principles and practices," said Vince, Jr. "We've followed the Golden Rule by treating shoppers and customers the way they expect and by standing behind our promises. It's been our success formula that has given us many repeat customers."

The formula has also garnered awards for the dealership. In 1993, Law Auto Sales was chosen as the Quality Dealer of the Year by the Michigan Independent Auto Dealers Association.

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he said. "I feel that if somebody has to make an extra trip, then that person shouldn't have to pay."

One reason that the cleaners can afford to stand so solidly behind its work is the powerful new cleaning

Sleep disorders treated by Garden City Hospital

The only napping being done at Garden City Hospital (6245 Inkster Rd., Garden City) is in its Sleep Disorder Center, where specialists skillfully restore poor sleepers to peaceful dreams.

Otherwise, the teaching hospital is alive with activities, programs, and ideas to benefit the health and welfare of Western Wayne County's large, diverse community.

"Since we're a community hospital, our mission is to meet the needs in our local community," said Gary Ley, hospital president and CEO. The nonprofit hospital is directed by a board consisting of 10 community leaders and five doctors.

Judging by the efforts of the hospitals' 250 doctors and 1,100 employees to meet those needs, the mission is fruitful.

One success is the Inkster diabetes awareness outreach program, created by Garden City Hospital to promote diabetes awareness, education, and self assessment and partially funded by a Metro Health Foundation grant. Ley said that the program, certified by the Michigan department of public health, is necessary because diabetes is a "major silent disease," whose symptoms are ignored by many sufferers too long, and a disease that disproportionately appears in African-American communities.

"It's one community disease we

want to do what we can to address," said Ley. The cause was worthy, so organizations as varied as the American Diabetes Association, the American Heart Association, the city of Inkster, and Inkster schools joined the crusade, with Garden City Hospital coordinating.

"We're more than a provider of hospital services: we have a responsibility to work with other community groups to assess and improve health," said Ley.

With the high cost of health care the major issue facing the community, Ley said that it's the hospital's responsibility to focus on controlling costs yet providing quality and value to patients. "Our costs are lower than many other hospitals in Southeast Michigan because we concentrate our clinical services where accessibility to care is most needed in our community without adding high cost programs," he said.

Emergency services, obstetrics, orthopedics, cardiology and rehabilitation programs are a few of the key areas that the hospital is particularly proud of. By using effective quality assurance programs and tight financial budgeting, the hospital is able to meet the needs of the community while controlling costs. To avoid costly duplication of services, the hospital has developed arrangements with the larger medical centers such as University of Michigan



Garden City Hospital (6245 Inkster Rd., Garden City)

and the Detroit Medical Center, where highly specialized cases such as open heart surgeries can be transferred.

"Health care is a personalized service and Garden City Hospital considers the preservation of a one-to-one patient-doctor relationship a critical feature of our environment," he said. "While health re-

form discussions center on corporate medicine, treating patients on a personal basis is still our focus."

Over half of the hospital's physicians are trained in primary care medicine, such as family practice that concentrates on evaluating the needs of the total person, not just the disease.

Local planter has 'green thumb', artistic eye

By IVAN HELFMAN
MCN Staff Writer

While Johnny Appleseed has received proper credit for the greening of America's exterior landscape, perhaps we should give Gayle Sarkisian credit for the greening of Southeast Michigan's interior landscapes.

Sarkisian's company, Green Plant Design, provides and tends indoor plants for 800 corporations and small businesses.

The company offers rental, sales, installation, service, maintenance and interior landscaping for indoor and silk plants to beautify and refresh shops, restaurants, malls, office buildings, apartments, and hospitals. The plants come with a 100 percent replacement guarantee.

Besides providing natural beauty, Green Plant Design also provides natural air purification, said Sarkisian.

"NASA did a study proving that plants clean indoor air," she said. The study discovered that without indoor plants, indoor pollution in unventilated modern buildings was often 500 times worse than outdoor pollution because of the formaldehyde given off by carpets, the trichloroethylene given off by lacquer, and the benzene given off by laminates in plastic, varnish, and paint.

As Green Plant Design approaches its 20th anniversary, Sar-

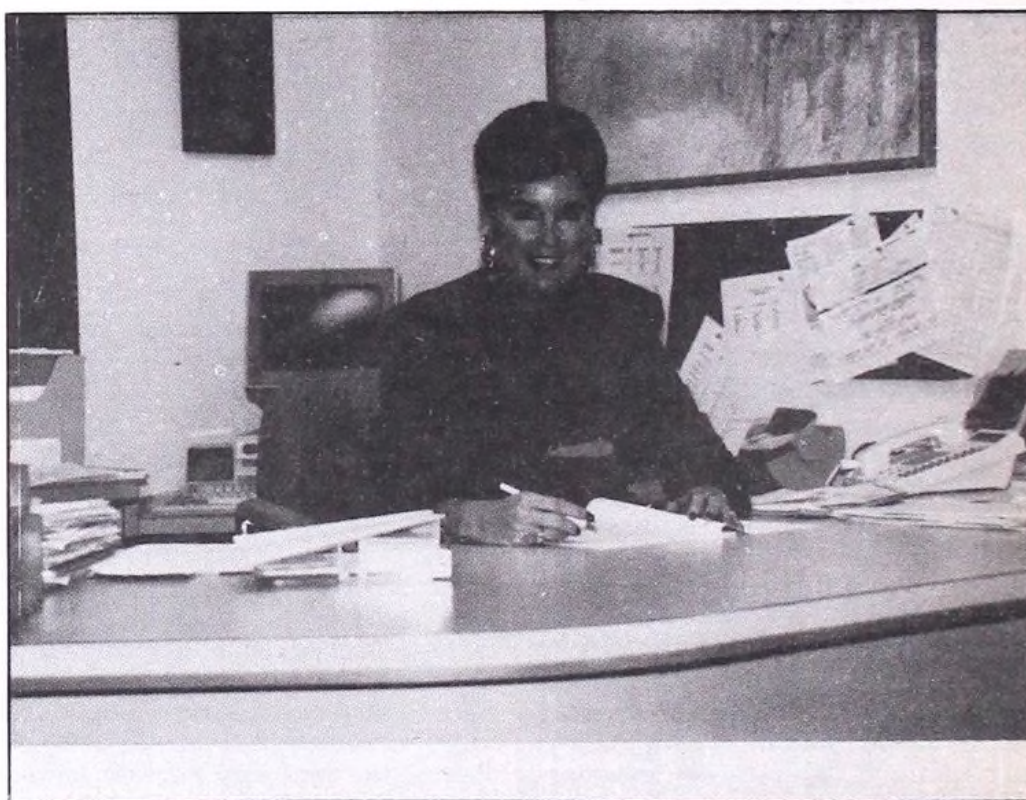
kisian recalled how she turned her hobby into a successful business in Western Wayne County employing 50 people and operating a fleet of trucks.

"Growing tropical plants started out as a hobby," she said. "I bought so many plants that I didn't know what to do with them until a friend told me to sell them." Teaming up with a friend, she started throwing plant parties featuring a game she created called plant party bingo, played with plant picture cards and plants. While hosting the parties didn't make her rich, it was a learning experience.

Opportunity knocked when her mother in Cincinnati informed Sarkisian that the plant rental business was thriving in Ohio. After traveling to Cincinnati for a look, she returned, drew up a business plan, and started leasing, installing and tending tropical plants for fern bars and businesses. As business boomed, services increased.

"We expanded to selling plants and providing maintenance service," she said. "We water, prune, wash foliage, provide preventive insecticides, fertilize, trim, and anything else. We handle the complete weekly care. Additionally, we handle silk plants now, which also require maintenance."

While clients include giants like Ameritech, General Motors, Detroit Edison, the Livonia Mall, the Pru-



Gayle Sarkisian

dential Town Center, and Garden City Hospital, Green Plant Design provides the same quality care to smaller businesses - shops, restaurants, medical clinics, and offices.

"We have a list of customer references a mile long," she said. "We've grown because we are dependable, and have lived up to - and gone beyond - our promises."

Another success factor is Green

Plant Design's "accommodating staff who are willing to go the extra mile," she said.

Among the staff are sons Chris and Shawn, and "a great team of people, many of whom live in western Wayne," including Maureen Vines, Sandy Langa, Catherine Long, and Virginia.

For more information, please call 313-522-8700 or 800-GPD-0911.

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of the purchase, from financing to what's available. Since Remax belongs to several real estate boards with listings across the United States, Gardenshire has a lot of homes to offer. In addition, she is one of the few agents to employ telemarketers to target neighborhoods on behalf of her clients.

Similarly, sellers reap the benefit of telemarketing, as the method is

also used to sell homes. In addition, Gardenshire markets homes by advertising on television and in newspapers, taking advantage of Remax's nationwide multilisting services, and subscribing to a corporate relocation service. The result? "My homes sell relatively quickly at fair market prices," she said.

However, her services don't end at the sale.

"I follow up even after closings

by answering questions and making sure the move-in goes smoothly," she said. "I stay concerned and available anytime."

She also uses a high-tech satellite network to stay current about real estate practices, enabling her customers the benefits of the latest methods. For example, homes are video taped and advertised on television.

A lifetime member of Children's

Miracle Network, Gardenshire merges her private and professional sides by donating a portion of her commissions to the charity.

Remax is open seven days a week. Hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday through Sunday. For more information, please call Georgia Gardenshire at 277-7777.

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Classrooms are roomy and class enrollment is limited.

The center's state-of-the-art equipment is combined with classroom teaching aids, such as overhead projectors, 37-inch large screen monitors and white boards for optimum visualization.

Instructors are hand-picked professionals who pride themselves on providing high quality instruction. They are continually reviewing the software they teach, so they can better relate to the problems of the students who use the software in the

workplace. Students and staff continuously evaluate the instructors to insure high standards and student satisfaction. Since the instructors are full-time employees, unlike employees at other training centers, New Horizons is able to exercise tight quality control.

Off campus instruction is available at work sites.

"We can go anywhere," said Janice Tucker-Rocque, director of sales. "Thirty-five percent of our classes are taught on-site. For our clients' convenience, we offer weekend and late hour training.

"We've trained workers from just about every large company in the area, including the big three car companies and Nissan. We train everybody from Fortune 500 corporations to unemployed individuals.

"I love working for the company because it's so easy to sell what we do."

Benefits of attending New Horizon are: 1) customized training on all skill levels; 2) the center is one of the largest Novell Authorized Education Centers in the midwest; 3) specially designed courseware for DOS, Windows and Macintosh application training designed by New

Horizon; 4) 24-hour phone support; 5) and a wide variety of classes - 300 are scheduled per quarter, including 21 different times for beginning Windows.

Additionally, the school offers club memberships that entitle the member to attend as many training classes as desired during a six-month period. "The club is perfect for retraining or improving job skills," Tucker-Rocque said. "Signing up is as easy as calling, giving a credit card number, and selecting classes."

For more information or to sign up, call (313) 525-1501.

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know, because two years prior I had thrown away the bathroom scale. (I should mention I was and still am 5-foot, six-inches). I knew that for me to have a chance in the employ-

ment market, I would need more than just an education.

One day, I was driving to school, listening to the radio, K-100, and I heard this voice that had so much energy I couldn't have believe it! Tina, some person from the east or

west side of Toledo, was bouncing off my speakers, and she was a housewife that didn't need to sell to her house.

Mind you, I was there but very skeptical. I was greeted by some little person. The person talking was

trying to convince me that she was the same person that was in the picture on the wall 103 pounds ago. I

finally told Tina it was nice talking to her and went out to my car. Oh yeah, I bought the same products you're asking me about.

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recommended highly enough. Housing antique and vintage aircraft (some able to fly), aviation memorabilia, exhibit rooms on WWI, WWII, Women in Aviation, B-24s (which Henry Ford built at Willow Run during the Good War), military equipment and uniforms, and an aviation library. However, visitors should be warned that one day is not enough time to experience the museum's riches and that the moving experience is addictive. The museum has been identified as a heavy nostalgia area, where seasoned citizens have been seen weeping at the site of planes similar to ones that once carried them across oceans to heroically fight for freedom. Generation Xers and young children seem to enjoy the museum as if it were a time travel-

Unique, from page 2

ton store. "United makes a lot of unique products," he said. "For homeowners and decorators, there's plex tone - a speckled paint alternative to wall coverings. It has a textured look that, without seams, looks a lot better than wall coverings and is more cost effective. Also, it doesn't tear."

Other premium United Paint interior paints are effortlessly washable. So easy to clean, that fingerprints can be cleaned off.

Canton-area subdivision contractors, who have boosted the Canton store's business, buy United Paint's exterior products because of the competitive prices, the paint's splatter resistance, it's high coverage, and the convenience of multiple locations.

Many contractors and homeowners come to the store to get exact color matching on the in-house Accu-Match computer, which can even match textured paint.

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Prices range from a basic soap-and-rinse wash for \$2 up to a deluxe wash that includes two soaps, two rinses, a rocker panel cleaning and a wax for \$5. Since the wash is located across the street from the future site of Canton Township municipal golf courses, Tinkle has named the different grades of washes "par," "birdie," "eagle" and "masters." On birthdays, car owners can get a free "masters" wash upon showing valid identification.

The gas station, with eight fueling positions, offers quality Amoco products - the ultimate gasoline, premier motor oils, and quick-acting window washer solvent.

"There are a lot of places where people can buy gasoline, but I try to go the extra mile by treating them right - by offering them good products and a clean, pleasant place to fuel up," Tinkle said. The effort has resulted in his owning three successful stations two in Canton (the

g machine transporting them back to a world of 1942 Harley Davison army cycles, uniformed WACs, and half-restored Waco gliders - an aircraft resembling a Brinks truck that Ford built to tow 12 GIs behind transport planes on D-Day.

The nonprofit museum was created in 1981 by people desiring to preserve the facts and spirit of southeastern Michigan's aviation history. After raising the money, the museum was created in a hangar built in 1941 as part of Ford's B-24 bombers. Being the country's only all-volunteer museum, it, too, is a labor of love.

The Museum is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. The \$2-4 admission fees support the museum.

For dinner dance reservations, please call (313) 483-4030.

"In the store, with the help of manager Mike Craft or other knowledgeable employees, you can get the necessary product information necessary to choose the correct product for your application," Lampron said.

Also, the store offers free delivery.

United Paint's manufacturing ability is evident in Ameron, its industrial line.

"It's a whole maintenance system for machinery, buildings, and water towers," he said.

Ameron features an epoxy system. "It's highly chemical resistant and meets national codes and the strictest guidelines," he said. "The advantage of an epoxy coating in maintenance is that it's a tougher, more stable paint that won't break down too easily."

During United Paint's 40-year manufacturing history, the company has been able to please demanding clients. For example, the company provides paint to Chrysler for use in the Caravan van.

other is located at Ford and Haggerty roads) and one in Farmington Hills. He also owns the Twist and Shake ice cream parlor, located next to the Ford-Haggerty Amoco.

There are a lot of places where people can buy gasoline, but I try to go the extra mile... - Gary Tinkle

The station boasts a large convenience store, offering name brand products, everything from health and beauty products to ice cream, beverages and candy. Currently a special is offered: buy a cookie or cake and get coffee at half price.

Tinkle is a hands-on owner, who goes to all three stations on a daily basis to make sure that his customers are being satisfied. "Customer service is paramount," he said. Therefore, the business is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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sions, rear ends, and electronics - a house specialty. So special that most shops bring their electric work to Autoline because of the company's knowledge and equipment, said Siedlak.

"We're the only shop that has Sun Electronic's MCA 3000 for electronic engine analysis," he said. "I used to be an instructor for Sun, teaching repair shops how to use the machine, which - if used properly - can analyze a car's entire electrical system in two minutes. As a former instructor, I know the MCA 3000 inside and out."

Siedlak and partner Al Bellovary bring years of automotive mastery to Autoline. Both were trouble shooters for a large chain of automotive repair shops, doing all the chain's trouble shooting. Siedlak also has experience working in prototype shops, where he learned to design and fabricate custom parts.

Autoline, which opened last May, was a long time dream of the partners, and the result of two years of planning. It's located in a 13,000 square-foot building. With 18 work

stalls, a staff of 12 technicians, and a large in-house parts inventory, it's set up to handle volume, insure timely repairs, and offer "the best possible price," Siedlak said.

Prices are fine tuned by Mitchell's on-demand triad computer, which gives an electronic estimate. It's data base, which contains manuals on all vehicles, is updated every three months.

"When you type in a problem, it provides the exact price, highlights the right repairs, and calls up current technical service bulletins," said Siedlak.

The partners' expertise is enhanced by the mechanical staff. "We have highly qualified people," Siedlak said. "Our chassis guy, who works on suspensions, brakes and alignments, is a fully certified master who has been in the business for 20 years and has a toolbox containing \$60,000 worth of tools."

"In our electrical crew, there's myself and my two teammates," he continued. "We're all builders and fabricators from proto shops."

Examples of their work abound in the shop, where there is a 1934 Ford recently rewired.

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And Vince, Jr. has been honored by his peers, who elected him president of the association's metropolitan Detroit chapter. In that position, he is charged with establishing a code of ethics that includes measures to insure: accurate advertising; compliance with all laws; and fair dealings with the general public.

The dealership offers a selection of over 80 different cars, ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000, with the largest selection - mostly late models - priced between \$4,000 and \$6,000.

"Our cars offer people a tremendous ability to save money, when the proportion of new car prices to family incomes is going out of this world," Vince, Jr. said. "For the first time, some lease and new car payments are exceeding families' mortgage or rent payments. People who come to us learn that buying a dependable used car at an affordable price can put a lot of money back

into their bank accounts.

"They will also be astounded by the longevity of today's late model cars," he continued. "Increased competition has forced manufactures to build cars that can last years. I have seen totally functional and rust free vehicles with over 200,000 miles on the odometer."

Of course, if Law Auto Sales's staff knows of a car's defect, it's pointed out to the customer, Vince, Jr. said; adding: "We share the vehicle's history with the customer."

Another benefit is that Law Auto Sales, like a new car dealership, offers warranties, bank financing, and service.

As a long-time community member, the dealership is big on civic involvement. "We help sponsor Wayne fireworks and all the other Chamber of Commerce events," said Vince, Jr. "And we put on an annual benefit Red Wing old-timers' hockey game for the Make-A-Wish Foundation."

